Yahoo Group Archive: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

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1. Welcome to our St Lucia/J6 group...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-11 14:29:20 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 1 Message: 1

Guys,

This Yahoo reflector will be the focal point of all our discussions in preparation for our upcoming trip to St Lucia this December.

I will post FAQ's and other documents into the Files section. And this will be our area to discuss any questions you might have...most likely if you have a question, others will to.

As soon as we get everyone on board, I'll send out the J6 License Application. You need to make sure your Passport is current...i.e. will not expire in 2013. Otherwise you will need to update it.

More to come later, Guy/N7UN

2. Re: Welcome to our St Lucia/J6 group...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-12 17:19:44 UTC
From: w3ff
Topic: 1 Message: 2

And hello from Budd in Northern CA.

McGUYver has set up this forum. Ask us anything you want about the trip, and we'll respond, depending on our traveling days and personal
daily chores.

You've picked the jewel of the Buddies in the Caribbean trips. Guy and I have been to Chateau Devaux three times. We've had tremendous
ops in the past, and we look forward to the same fun on SL-4.

Passports? Check them out today. Check that date to be sure yours is OK for travel.

Our hosts are wonderful. The staff and chefs do a marvelous job. They keep the place clean regularly (we share the dish washing cleanup daily, by the way) Food is catered in on at least four days. It's great. We go to a street fair on Friday night. We have a BBQ set up for Saturday. A local chef, a relatively new ham, is going to be doing the BBQ setup for us, and we're inviting any ham on St Lucia and or neighboring islands in for the party. THAT will be a real hoot.

Welcome to SL-4. I can't wait.

Budd

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, "Guy" <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
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3. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-15 14:37:12 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 3

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /FAQ Questions 2012 J6 Trip.rtf
Uploaded by : n7un <n7un.guy@...>
Description : FAQ for J6 2012

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/FAQ%20Questions%202012%20J6%20Trip.rtf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/uk/groups/files

Regards,

n7un <n7un.guy@...>

4. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-15 14:38:50 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 4

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /St Lucia License Help & Info file.rtf
Uploaded by : n7un <n7un.guy@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/St%20Lucia%20License%20Help%20%26%20Info%20file.rtf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/uk/groups/files

Regards,

n7un <n7un.guy@...>

5. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-15 14:47:49 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 5

Hello,

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a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /J6 Dec 2012 To Do List.rtf
Uploaded by : n7un <n7un.guy@...>
Description : J6 To Do List 2012

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/J6%20Dec%202012%20To%20Do%20List.rtf

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http://help.yahoo.com/help/uk/groups/files

Regards,

n7un <n7un.guy@...>

6. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-15 15:02:32 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 6

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /N7UN Example License Form 2012.rtf
Uploaded by : n7un <n7un.guy@...>
Description : N7UN Example License Doc

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/N7UN%20Example%20License%20For
m%202012.rtf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/uk/groups/files

Regards,

n7un <n7un.guy@...>

7. [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] W6ABM On Board

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-15 20:50:57 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 7 Message: 7

I'm Everett W6ABM and on board for the December DXpedition to St. Lucia.My QTH is Hillsboro, Oregon. I've read notes from a previous trip and downloaded Guy's files for this one.

Airline tickets are in hand.
1 Dec 2012 AA1130 11:30 am PDX 6:25 pm DFW
1 Dec 2012 AA546 7:55 pm DFW 11:30 pm MIA
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Will have room near SFO
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I am a long time owner of Buddipole product...beginning with a Buddistick...adding pieces all the time (;-)

I hope to have opportunity to work 6, 10, 12, 15, and 17...with special interest in 6 and 10. Looking forward to the 10 Meter Contest over the weekend.

Everett W6ABM

8. Dec 2012 Estimated Expenses....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-16 12:29:02 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 8 Message: 8

The target dates for this trip are: Dec 2 arrival and a Dec 11 departure from St Lucia. For general planning purposes we estimate all non-travel costs to be around $125-145 per night which includes the Villa rental, a rental vehicle, groceries/beer/water, and misc tips/expenses, limo/van airport pickup, etc. American Airlines has a direct Miami-St Lucia flight that has been very convenient for us over the past 4 trips. We have a local cook prepare four evening meals for us which turns out to be just outstanding! Personal expenses are your obligation.

Some folks who live on the west coast will have to fly into MIA the day before (Dec 1st) in order to catch the early MIA-St Lucia AA airline flight early Dec 2. Likewise is true for the return trip. We pack up on Monday afternoon Dec 10th and leave Dec 11th from the Villa in the morning.

You will find the time goes by very, very quickly! There are some backpack/hiking opportunities/portable operations possibilities, from some "extreme" portable operations (see http://goo.gl/4Nyug for our climb of Pitit Piton) to more placid beach operations (Rogue Wave beach, Fort Rodney) ...just let me know if you are interested.

Generally speaking the weather is between 80f daytime to 70f at night. And like most mountainous islands, an afternoon rain squall is not unusual. There is almost always a breeze. The direct sun is HOT! Each of the villa rooms have air conditioners. There is a swimming pool. There are five villa bedrooms, some with king beds and the others with 2 x double beds. One bedroom is our "quarantine" room if someone has a bad cold. The owners have added a new bedroom but I've not seen it yet. Our hosts, the Deveaux's, are an "old" family on the islands. Richard's wife is the granddaughter of the original Rodney Bay Rum family. The Villa is their original custom built house which is beautifully located on a cliff overlooking the Atlantic ocean to the north. The views are spectacular and the RF propogation is just amazing....you are perched on a 300 ft tower!

More general info forthcoming this week.

Regards, Guy

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

9. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-16 18:13:55 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 9

Hello,

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a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /RELEASE OF LIABILITY - BP.pdf
Uploaded by : n7un <n7un.guy@...>
Description : BP Release of Liability

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/RELEASE%20OF%20LIABILITY%20-%20BP.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/uk/groups/files

Regards,

n7un <n7un.guy@...>

10. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] W6ABM On Board

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-16 22:40:06 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 7 Message: 10

Ev, thanks for the email and the update on your travels.

And thanks to Guy. He's so darned efficient.

You will be swamped with contacts on the bands you listed if the band condx are anything like they have been in the past three years. 6 Meters is iffy, but I see today that there's been a very nice opening from the USA East Coast to 8P6, which is not far away from St Lucia on the big picture.

The location of the villa is the best either Guy or I have ever encountered. That 300 foot cliff is right over the water to EU and the USA. We take turns operating from the Gazebo. What a hoot.

Keep thinking of carrying a light load. When we combine all our gear, we always have more than enough Buddipole parts to create gain antennas and very efficient verticals. And from the beach, the signal reports you will get with a QRP rig will astound you.

As we get closer to the time to do the final packing, we'll see about masts and tripods, and we'll make a count to be sure we have plenty of those. Experimenting with antennas is a bit part of this event, and we are always looking for masts to hang them on.

Budd

On Sun, Jul 15, 2012 at 1:50 PM, evcurry <arsw6abm@...> wrote:

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Have fun every day.....

11. US State Dept info about St Lucia

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-17 22:45:32 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 11 Message: 11

Here's some very good background/overview information about St Lucia from our US State Department.

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1027.html

If anyone has any questions, please let me know. Thanks, Guy

12. Hi Guy et al

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-23 00:08:04 UTC
From: zf2scka9p
Topic: 12 Message: 12

Guy

Thanks very much for your perseverance, the spam checker had indeed kept your earlier email from arriving.

The info posted is very helpful, and I am really looking forward to the trip, probably spend most of it on cw.

I didn't take as thorough a look as I should have but I assume I need to take care of some licensing paperwork at some point ?

Best, Scott

13. Hey guy I actually read the files re license, no need to follow up thanks!

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-23 00:11:29 UTC
From: zf2scka9p
Topic: 13 Message: 13

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14. Things to get Done ASAP.....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-24 00:10:17 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 14 Message: 14

1) I need three copies of the J6 License application with original signatures on all three copies. All three copies will get sent to the J6 NRTC bundled with everyone elses applications.

2) One copy of the Telecom Customs form

3) Two passport-sized photos.

4) A copy of your passport photo page.

5) A copy of your FCC license.

6) A short biography of your ham radio qualifications and/or your professional experience.

7) A copy of any transmitter manual cover page. Include a copy of the specifications page also.

8) A $300 deposit (either a check or Paypal to hamblen9@.... Chris at Buddipole has already paid for the Villa deposit for our trip.

9) Complete the Release of Liability form with your signature.

I am going to be on a SOTA vacation for the next two weeks in Coloradio. Please mail all of the above to my qrz.com USPS mailaddress. I will then bundle all the applications and send them to the St Lucia NRTC.

In the files section of our Yahoo Reflector, I have my license application that you can use as an example. See http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/

If anyone has any questions, please let me know. Thanks guys, this will be an outstanding trip. You will be amazed at how nice this Villa is!!

73, Guy

15. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-24 00:27:27 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 15

Hello,

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a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /TELECOMMUNICATIONS INSPECTION FORM FOR CUSTOMS PURPOSES.doc
Uploaded by : n7un <n7un.guy@...>
Description : Telecom Customs Form

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/TELECOMMUNICATIONS%20INSPECTIO
N%20FORM%20FOR%20CUSTOMS%20PURPOSES.doc

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Regards,

n7un <n7un.guy@...>

16. Re: W6ABM On Board

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-24 04:47:47 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 7 Message: 16

I got my return dates shifted to Dec. 11 and 12. Change fee: $150. Added fare: $95.
All flights and times the same otherwise.

Everett W6ABM

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17. All set!

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-25 16:39:20 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 17 Message: 17

I'm totally on board too. I just mailed Guy ALL the items on the "to Do" list--from passport photos to J6 and Customs forms to $300 transferred to his PayPal account, etc. I just need to finish up the travel arrangements and can then relax until we get closer to the date....
Bryan WB8ISG

18. What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-29 03:09:42 UTC
From: zf2scka9p
Topic: 18 Message: 18

Greetings all, just got all my stuff into Guy but now need to start gearing up.

Just curious what folks are using for e-logging away from home. I'm basically starting from scratch as far as portable ops are concerned and wondered what's been used before, what people are fond of, etc. before I pick one and start gearing up for the trip, can do Mac or PC either way.

Looking forward to it, and big sunspots for the contest too!

73 Scott

19. Re: What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-29 05:55:48 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 18 Message: 19

I use N3FJP logging software. The ACLog is my general log program, he has a logging program for the 10 Meter Contest as well.

I bought the suite. I use 5 or 6 of the special programs, but ACLog is the standby.

I got some of the items in the mail to Guy today, others wait until I get back from Canada mid-August.

Look forward to meeting you.

Everett W6ABM

20. Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-31 19:09:51 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 20 Message: 20

How detailed does the itemization need to be on the customs form?

Hugh, W4VAB

21. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-07-31 22:50:54 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 20 Message: 21

Hugh,

I completed the documents this past Saturday. As I recall it is pretty specific, Radio Manufacturer, model #, and serial number.

Guy has his posted on the Yahoo Group site as an example for you to use. Check it out. I plagiarized the heck out of his documentation. :-)

http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/

Jerry
W5TDY

On Jul 31, 2012, at 3:09 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

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22. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-01 03:04:45 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 20 Message: 22

Yeah, I struggled on the customs form because a couple of my radios didn't have FCC/DOC numbers on them, and an internet search didn't turn them up either, I'm hoping that's not a fatal flaw :)

I must have missed the completed customs form, I only found the blank one :(

73 Scott

In a message dated 7/31/2012 5:51:18 P.M. Central Daylight Time, jlongtexas@comcast.net writes:

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23. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-01 12:41:56 UTC
From: N7un.guy
Topic: 20 Message: 23

Hugh, I only put my transceiver down. Nothing more. Guy

Sent from my iPad

On Jul 31, 2012, at 1:09 PM, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

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24. Re: What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-02 13:20:03 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 18 Message: 24

I use the same logging program. Unless someone comments in the negative, I'll use it as well on the trip...
Bryan WB8ISG

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25. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-02 15:33:55 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 18 Message: 25

Thanks Bryan, thanks Everett, I took a look at the site and it looks promising. Old dog new tricks being what it is I better get started early on this.

Started making a list of all the odd ball little things that needed to be done with stuff to make the operating painless, and it's amazing how long the list is already, I'd forgotten what little things you work around on short excursions that just can't be that way for a long one.

Who's in charge of bringing the sunspots?

73 Scott

In a message dated 8/2/2012 8:20:06 A.M. Central Daylight Time, cystokid@... writes:

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Bryan WB8ISG

--- In _CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..._ (mailto:CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@....uk) , arsw6abm <arsw6abm@...> wrote:
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26. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-02 17:53:24 UTC
From: cystokid@charter.net
Topic: 18 Message: 26
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27. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-02 20:05:46 UTC
From: Scott McDonald
Topic: 18 Message: 27

That sounds like cool work Bryan but I bet that 93 million mile commute could be rough ;)

Make something good happen!

On Aug 2, 2012, at 12:53 PM, cystokid@... wrote:

> Well, I'll see what I can do about the sunspots. :) I happen to be on contract with NASA and the JPL (Jet Propulsion Labs) at Cal Tech as an official Solar System Ambassador http://www2.jpl.nasa.gov/ambassador/
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> > Everett W6ABM
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28. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-02 22:46:06 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 18 Message: 28

Bryan, there are only 500 of you total. Good show. We'll have fun if you jump the numbers so that the higher bands cooperate.

Budd

On Thu, Aug 2, 2012 at 10:53 AM, <cystokid@...> wrote:

> **
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>
> Well, I'll see what I can do about the sunspots. :) I happen to be on
> contract with NASA and the JPL (Jet Propulsion Labs) at Cal Tech as an
> official Solar System Ambassador http://www2.jpl.nasa.gov/ambassador/
>
> Bryan WB8ISG
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>
> On Thu, Aug 2, 2012 at 11:33 AM, ka9p@... wrote:
>
> Thanks Bryan, thanks Everett, I took a look at the site and it looks
> promising. Old dog new tricks being what it is I better get started early
> on this.
>
> Started making a list of all the odd ball little things that needed to be
> done with stuff to make the operating painless, and it's amazing how long
> the list is already, I'd forgotten what little things you work around on
> short excursions that just can't be that way for a long one.
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Have fun every day...........

29. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Welcome to our St Lucia/J6 group...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-05 03:19:04 UTC
From: O.C.
Topic: 1 Message: 29

Budd,

This is O.C., w6ocl, and wanted to find out if ya'll had filled all the spots already for St. Lucia?

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From: w3ff <w3ff@...>
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 10:19 AM
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Welcome to our St Lucia/J6 group...

And hello from Budd in Northern CA.

McGUYver has set up this forum. Ask us anything you want about the trip, and we'll respond, depending on our traveling days and personal
daily chores.

You've picked the jewel of the Buddies in the Caribbean trips. Guy and I have been to Chateau Devaux three times. We've had tremendous
ops in the past, and we look forward to the same fun on SL-4.

Passports? Check them out today. Check that date to be sure yours is OK for travel.

Our hosts are wonderful. The staff and chefs do a marvelous job. They keep the place clean regularly (we share the dish washing cleanup daily, by the way) Food is catered in on at least four days. It's great. We go to a street fair on Friday night. We have a BBQ set up for Saturday. A local chef, a relatively new ham, is going to be doing the BBQ setup for us, and we're inviting any ham on St Lucia and or neighboring islands in for the party. THAT will be a real hoot.

Welcome to SL-4. I can't wait.

Budd

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "Guy" <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
>
> Guys,
>
> This Yahoo reflector will be the focal point of all our discussions in preparation for our upcoming trip to St Lucia this December.
>
> I will post FAQ's and other documents into the Files section. And this will be our area to discuss any questions you might have...most likely if you have a question, others will to.
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> As soon as we get everyone on board, I'll send out the J6 License Application. You need to make sure your Passport is current...i.e. will not expire in 2013. Otherwise you will

need to update it.
>
> More to come later, Guy/N7UN
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30. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Welcome to our St Lucia/J6 group...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-05 03:29:46 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 1 Message: 30

Hi OC....thanks for the note. Guy is keeping track of the guys who have committed, and you are in the group. Guy would have mentioned to me if there were any openings.

This is the best venue of any of the trips. I have been to all the BIC places, and this location is the one to put under your belt !

Budd

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 4, 2012, at 8:19 PM, "O.C." <w6ocl@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Budd,
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> From: w3ff <w3ff@...>
> To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
> Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 10:19 AM
> Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Welcome to our St Lucia/J6 group...
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31. License Application Status Update...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-14 23:48:41 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 31 Message: 31

Ok,

I have completed license application packets from:

1) Bryan/Wb9SIG
2) Jerry/W5TDY
3) Hugh/W4VAB
4) Scott/KA9P
5) Everett/W6ABM (partial...info missing but forthcoming)

I need the completed license apps ASAP from:

1) Budd/W3FF
2) OC/W6OCL

I send all the applications together in one tracked UPS box to our host who then takes it personally to the NRTC offices for us.

Thanks in advance. Guy/N7UN

32. TEST MESSAGE

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-15 04:10:40 UTC
From: k8eab67
Topic: 32 Message: 32

TEST MESSAGE

33. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] License Application Status Update...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-15 21:49:40 UTC
From: cystokid@charter.net
Topic: 31 Message: 33
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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34. Open slot for upcoming trip.....friends?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-16 13:28:02 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 34 Message: 34

OC/W6OCL had to drop out of our upcoming trip due to work-related issues.

I have an invite out to Robert/N7QT but do want to offer an invitation that if any of you have good friends that would want to join our mini-dxpedition team, please vett their availability/desire and let me know asap.

This is a "first come, first serve" situation.

Thanks, Guy/N7UN

35. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Open slot for upcoming trip.....friends?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-16 17:24:45 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 34 Message: 35

This is a great opportunity to take a buddy with you. It is the best venue of all the Caribbean trips.....St. Lucia is awesome, and we have it vetted out nicely now.

As Guy says, it's first come first served. We like to take new guys with us on this one, but as soon as we open it up for ops who have gone before, that slot will be taken up pronto.

Budd

On Thu, Aug 16, 2012 at 6:28 AM, Guy <n7un.guy@...> wrote:

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Have fun every day.....

36. Fwd: Wonpro WES4.3-E107 UK/Iraq power strip

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-16 21:17:05 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 36 Message: 36

Hugh, thanks for the info. I see 3 power strips that are UK/Iraq
compliant at
http://www.europlugs.com/Wonpro_catalog/Pre-Config_Power_Strips_Details.htm#WE-4A6-E107-ov
erview
. I see that they all have up to 7 plugins....more than enough.

Everyone, be mindful that the Villa is mostly 220v. There are some
step-down transformers to 110v but only one that is "portable". It weighs
25 lbs or so! Hence the need for 220v power strips and a radio power
supply that will run off 220v. Most power supplies are switchable
110/220v.

Regards, Guy/N7UN

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Hugh W. Morgan <hwmorgan@...>
Date: Thu, Aug 16, 2012 at 4:13 PM
Subject: Wonpro WES4.3-E107 UK/Iraq power strip
To: Guy <n7un.guy@...>

I went to the Website in the FAQ and found that the recommended power
strip is a discontinued product.****

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Wonpro seems to have quite a variety of strips. Could you take a look at
their site and recommend a substitute?****

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Hugh, W4VAB****

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where the mind is satisfied.
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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

37. Re: Wonpro WES4.3-E107 UK/Iraq power strip

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-16 22:22:48 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 37 Message: 37

Good. We have bandpass filters for 80m, 40m, 20m, 17m, 15m, and 10m.
Wey/K8EAB has a 30m filter we can borrow....Jerry/W5TDY can you borrow the
30m filter from Wey?

We probably only need a 20m and 17m filter primarily to be used for /p
operations. If I were to recommend a W3NQN filter purchase, it would be
for those two bands.

Thanks, Guy

On Thu, Aug 16, 2012 at 5:50 PM, Hugh W. Morgan <hwmorgan@...>wrote:

> ** **
>
> Okay, I’ve ordered one.****
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> ** **
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> Will we need to purchase the bandpass filters mentioned in your FAQ, or is
> there a possibility that the can borrow what we need from someone who has*
> ***
>
> made the trip with the group in the past?****
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> ** **
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> Hugh, W4VAB****
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> ** **
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> *From:* Guy [mailto:n7un.guy@...]
> *Sent:* Thursday, August 16, 2012 5:17 PM
> *To:* CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
> *Cc:* W4VAB Hugh W. Morgan
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> Guy/N7UN
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38. Please welcome Rob/N7QT to our team....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-17 12:48:56 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 38 Message: 38

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Welcome aboard Rob! 73, Guy/N7UN

39. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Please welcome Rob/N7QT to our team....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-17 13:44:14 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 38 Message: 39

Excellent ! Rob, welcome to SL-4.

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Here is my home telephone number: 530 223-0184 Patty, my wife, is out of town, but I get up early and am available to chat at your leisure.

That goes for anybody who is on the team who has questions, by the way. I walk my Lab, Dozer, every day at 7 AM for a little over an hour, and I am outside doing chores and playing radio in the mornings. But it's over a hundred here during August, so I spend time inside during that period of time.

Tell us about Rob.

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40. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Please welcome Rob/N7QT to our team....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-17 23:20:11 UTC
From: cystokid@charter.net
Topic: 38 Message: 40
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41. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Please welcome Rob/N7QT to our team....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-18 02:46:52 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 38 Message: 41

HI Rob. Looking forward to meeting you. Unlike Bryan, I'm still at work, but dreaming of J68. Denali not too bad either Bryan.

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73 Scott

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42. Re: Please welcome Rob/N7QT to our team....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-18 04:12:21 UTC
From: rob
Topic: 38 Message: 42

Hi Everyone!!

Very extremely excited to going on my first ever dxpedition!

My bio:
Have lived in Seattle,WA most of my life. During my younger years my family traveled extensively throughout Africa and Europe, thanks to my dad who spent his career working for the United Nations. I graduated from both the University of Washington and Washington State University with degrees in Electrical Engineering and Material Science. My career started out at Intel working in semi-conductor manufacturing, where I immediately fell in love with software development. Decided I wanted to do it as a career and I followed my dreams. This past May after 17 years working for Microsoft and with a 32 year career in software development, I decided to leave Microsoft.

I am now semi-retired and spend a large part of my time traveling. My "serious" hobbies are amateur radio, landscape photography, and riding my three motorcycles to the ends of the earth and back.

Received my first amateur radio license WB7TDU when I turned 14 years of age(1974). Became an extra class in 1990(?) and obtained the call N7QT. 99.9% of my time is spent on CW and I run a K3/P3 and Alpha 9700 & Alpha 86 amp, into ground mounted SteppIR Big vertical. You can view my vertical in the latest issue of QST (SteppIR advertisement). Within the next couple of years, I will most likely purchase a different QTH in order to fill my life long dream of owning a "real" ham QTH with space for towers and fewer neighbors!

At Dayton 2012 I met several of you, and really feel very honored and privileged to be joining the team on what will be an amazing fun filled experience.

-rob N7QT

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43. Re: Please welcome Rob/N7QT to our team....

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Date: 2012-08-18 15:53:37 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 38 Message: 43

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Welcome to the group. This is my first DXpedition as well.

Your call sounds familiar. We may have worked a few years ago when I was operating QRP and portable from Colorado.

73 for now

Hugh, W4VAB

44. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-21 12:28:13 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 18 Message: 44

Scott,

I am looking forward to meeting you as well as the others on our excursion. :-)

I have been using ACLog for years and it does a great job. N3FJP is the author of this software package and does a great job supporting it. Here is their website: http://www.n3fjp.com

I am sure there are other programs, perhaps others will chime in with additional options.

Currently I am planing to bring a small ACER Aspire mini-notebook to use for logging, email, etc. Cheap, rugged, operates for long periods on battery power, and SMALL to carry. However, there is time for me to change my mind, I love my MacBook Pro. BTW, there is logging software for the MacBook, I just have not experimented with any as of yet.

73,
Jerry W5TDY

On Jul 28, 2012, at 11:09 PM, zf2scka9p <ka9p@...> wrote:

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45. Testing ...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-22 13:43:29 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 45 Message: 45

Disregard ...

46. A word to the wise ...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-22 14:07:53 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 46 Message: 46

From experience gained by participating in 5 trips with
the Buddipole Caribbean DXpeditions Group ...

LABEL EVERYTHING ! ! !

That means coax barrel connectors, coax, coils, arms,
Versatees, tripods, whips, radios, tools ... anything that
potentially could be shared as the team sets-up as many
as six stations/antennas at Chateau Devaux ...

When its time to dismantle everything, that's when
pieces of radio-related stuff that you brought need
to find their way back to you ... without a label or some
color-coded tape that won't come off, you may go home
with fewer pieces than you went to St. Lucia with ... it
will all straighten itself out eventually, but LABELING
makes it simple to get "your stuff" back to you ...

I also put clear Scotch Tape over my labels to keep
them in place ...

"Good Judgement comes from Experience ... "

"Experience comes from Bad Judgement ..."

Very 73,

Wey - K8EAB

47. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-22 22:12:44 UTC
From: cystokid@charter.net
Topic: 18 Message: 47

I'm bringing the same laptop to also run my digital software and HRD....
Bryan

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE DROID

Jerry Long <jlongtexas@comcast.net> wrote:

>Scott,
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>I am looking forward to meeting you as well as the others on our excursion. :-)
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>I have been using ACLog for years and it does a great job. N3FJP is the author of this software package and does a great job supporting it. Here is their website:
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48. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-23 02:59:05 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 18 Message: 48

Hey Jerry and Brian,

Thanks, sounds like I need to research the Windows (sigh) netbooks a bit. Lately I've been using the small MacBook Air when I travel, great for size but not great battery life, so probably not too suited for our intended use.

The list gets longer and longer and longer. But I call orange and blue (U of I) for my gear, if no one has it :)

Thanks Scott

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49. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-23 14:00:39 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 18 Message: 49

Scott,

Except for portable ops away from the Villa, I think you will have "power" available to run/recharge your MacBook. So don't go spending money on a new "machine".

I have recently been migrating to Apple devices and really love them. Not sure if it is because it is something "New" to play with, or that I am just tired of Microsoft Windows. :-)

I bought the ACER years ago when they were the new Hot item. I am bringing it as I think of it as disposable should something bad happen to it. A bad day with my new MacBook would really be a BAD Day. :-) I have already been warned of "Rouge" waves when/if operating on the beach. The story there is if operating on the beach, you need to allow for rouge waves created from passing tanker/cargo ships.

I checked into the MacLogger software and it is $95 a copy. I am not eady for that, as the N3FJP / ACLog software really works nicely and is supported by the author.

Jerry
W5TDY

On Aug 22, 2012, at 10:59 PM, ka9p@... wrote:

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50. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] What are folks using for e-logging?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-24 01:49:09 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 18 Message: 50

Thanks Jerry, I've always been an apple guy here, so maybe I should give that a go. Nothing like booting up instantly :)

I've done a lot of operating from the beach on ZF, and always used ARRL minilogs just to keep it simple, which works great as long as you don't get them wet. But I need to move into the late 20th century for logging techniques I guess. I'll let you know if I get a Mac logger up and running cheaply.

73 Scott

In a message dated 8/23/2012 9:00:44 A.M. Central Daylight Time, jlongtexas@... writes:

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51. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-24 14:35:14 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 51

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /Jwl BP Elements Inventory.xlsx
Uploaded by : jwlongtexas <jlongtexas@...>
Description : BuddiPole Antenna Elements Inventory, and configuration notes - J Long.

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/Jwl%20BP%20Elements%20Inventory.xlsx

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/uk/groups/files

Regards,

jwlongtexas <jlongtexas@...>

52. BP Antenna Elements Inventory & Other Stuff

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-24 14:39:32 UTC
From: jwlongtexas
Topic: 52 Message: 52

Guy & All,

I have in my possession on loan, from the Esteem-able K8EAB himself, Wey Walker, 1 Model 406 30M Bandpass Filter (ICS). To avoid any low level strafing runs, I have assured him we will return it in good condition. :-)

I usually work 10, 15, & 20 meters when portable. I can usually get just the proper amount of gear into a small tight package that will fit into my roll-on luggage, with clothes. Last trip to San Diego, I carried the collapsable mast, versa tee, TRSB, 4-22" arms, 1-Long Telescopic whip, and regular counterpoise wire & 50' coax. It all fits in my roll-on bag which I checked. I carried the radio, power supply, and Palstar antenna analyzer in my carry-on Back-pack which also has my computers and work "stuff". I operated from my Son's back Patio, with power outlets close by. :-)

Being bored last night and in anticipation of the Trip, I inventoried my BP antenna gear. I have uploaded an Excel file with the details. If you have problems with the file format (xlxs), let me know and I will try another format.

I have a fair amount of BP gear, when you have time, or as we get closer, let me know what components you would like me to bring. I listed in the St.Lucia column, the items I am currently considering. I assume I will be operating from the Villa, 10-40 meters vertical configurations.

I do not plan to bring A123 batteries and charger as I do not anticipate carrying the K3 outside the Villa. :-) However, it is still early in the planning stage, and a KX3 may arrive in time. :-) If that occurs, I may add the collapsable mast and batteries to my list.

I have ordered a WE-4A6-GF-E107, 6-Outlet Universal Power Strip with UK/Iraq Power Cord, which should arrive next week. I also have a PowerWerx SS-30DV switching power supply that handles 240v.

Best regards,
Jerry
W5TDY

53. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-24 14:43:57 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 53

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a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /Jwl BP Elements Inventory.pdf
Uploaded by : jwlongtexas <jlongtexas@...>
Description : PDF format of JWL BP Antenna elements inventory

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/Jwl%20BP%20Elements%20Inventor
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To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
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Regards,

jwlongtexas <jlongtexas@...>

54. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] BP Antenna Elements Inventory & Other Stuff

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-24 17:06:42 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 52 Message: 54

Jerry, thanks for the file. I just printed it for my SL-4 folder. Wow, you do have lots of BP stuff.

Thanks to the Admiral for the loan. We will be sure not to get it to Rogue Wave Beach, a favorite of Guy's. Stories follow at the villa on his trips there. You will all see the beach. It's not far from the villa, but it takes a bit of maneuvering to get down there.

The bands are open to EU and USA a lot of the day. Just pick a band, check to see it's open to where you want to work guys and if anybody in the villa is already there.

This is a dream location. Have I said that a hundred times?

Budd

On Fri, Aug 24, 2012 at 7:39 AM, jwlongtexas <jlongtexas@...> wrote:

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> Guy & All,
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> I have in my possession on loan, from the Esteem-able K8EAB himself, Wey
> Walker, 1 Model 406 30M Bandpass Filter (ICS). To avoid any low level
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> Best regards,
> Jerry
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Have fun every day.....

55. Re: Please welcome Rob/N7QT to our team....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-30 16:28:00 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 38 Message: 55

Rob

Welcome aboard. I'm your "neighbor" south in Hillsboro OR, CN85mm.

Your call is familiar. Have we met? Maybe at SEA-PAC.

Everett W6ABM

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "Guy" <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
>
> Rob/N7QT from Bellevue, WA has joined our team as of midnight last nite! Rob is an extremely ethusiastic about all-things-ham-radio. This will be his first "real" dxpedition into the Caribbean.
>
> Welcome aboard Rob! 73, Guy/N7UN
>

56. Re: License Application Status Update...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-30 16:35:39 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 31 Message: 56

Guy

You should have all the paperwork and check from me now. Will you
confirm that I'm "good to go?'

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--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, cystokid@... wrote:
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> I need the completed license apps ASAP from:
>
> 1) Budd/W3FF
> 2) OC/W6OCL
>
> I send all the applications together in one tracked UPS box to our host
> who then takes it personally to the NRTC offices for us.
>
> Thanks in advance. Guy/N7UN
>
> <http://uk.docs.yahoo.com/info/terms.html>
>

57. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: License Application Status Update...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-31 03:53:34 UTC
From: N7un.guy
Topic: 31 Message: 57

Team,

I'm on the red-eye back to NJ tonite. Will pull together the last apps, bundle, and send via UPS to St Lucia tomorrow. Will let everyone know when the bundle goes!

Later, Guy

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 30, 2012, at 9:35 AM, "evcurry" <arsw6abm@...> wrote:

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58. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: License Application Status Update...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-08-31 18:10:39 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 31 Message: 58

Guy. I'll get my package in the mail to you this Monday. I've been traveling as well, returning tomorrow.

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: N7un.guy
Sent: 8/30/2012 11:53 PM
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: License Application Status Update...

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59. Telecommunications Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-02 21:11:42 UTC
From: rob
Topic: 59 Message: 59

I have a few questions concerning what needs to be listed. Currently the only items I can think of is the K3 and the P3 panadapter.

There are several things that I know I will bring but have not yet purchased. What do I do in this case? Examples include the following
* I have several 110V to 12VDC supplies at home. Should I just purchase 220V - 100V converters instead of getting a dedicated 220V power supply? If the recommendation is that I purchase a dedicated 220V to 12DC power supply, does anyone have specific suggestions as to what make/model?
* I will bring a laptop that has yet to be purchased.
* Thinking about buying the FilterMax III from Array Solutions which uses the W3NQN filters which covers the non-WARC bands. Is this good enough for band pass filters? Any thoughts about this versus buying individual band pass filters?

60. Re: Telecommunications Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-02 22:22:48 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 59 Message: 60

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "rob" <rfanfant@...>
wrote:
>
> I have a few questions concerning what needs to be listed. Currently
the only items I can think of is the K3 and the P3 panadapter.
Ans: The customs form is really for transceivers. I only list my
radios. If there is no Ser #, I have put "N/A" for not available.
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purchased. What do I do in this case? Examples include the following
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purchase 220V - 100V converters instead of getting a dedicated 220V
power supply? If the recommendation is that I purchase a dedicated 220V
to 12DC power supply, does anyone have specific suggestions as to what
make/model?
Ans: Most of the newer switcher power supplies are dual-voltage, i.e.
there is a switch on the back to select 22ov vs 110v. I like the new
switchers from Samlex, Astron, or MFJ. They are light weight but
effective. I have a MFJ-4125 which has worked great and weighs 4 lbs.
We will probably only have 4 stations setup at the villa and
consequently only need 4 pwr supplies. However, it is good to have a
backup. One past year, the 110-220v switch was not thrown to 220v and
we saw smoke. It was very expensive to buy a power supply locally.
> * I will bring a laptop that has yet to be purchased.
Ans: Most laptops can run off 220v. The newer netbooks are great. I
recently went with a backlit LCD which enables the screen to be read
even in bright sunlight!

> * Thinking about buying the FilterMax III from Array Solutions which
uses the W3NQN filters which covers the non-WARC bands. Is this good
enough for band pass filters? Any thoughts about this versus buying
individual band pass filters?

Ans: I think we are covered with bandpass filters. We have a good
selection of individual band filters. Filters are always good for field
day so most likely they will get used. Because antennas will be closely
spaced, we can really only have one station on a band at a time, but the
filters allow us to operate 20m and 17m without noticeable interference.
The new FilterMax III from Array Solutions is a fine piece of equipment
and I'm sure we could use it!
Get your app to me as soon as possible please so I can bundle and send
all the apps in to the NRTC together.
Thanks, Rob. 73, Guy

61. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Telecommunications Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-03 01:23:07 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 59 Message: 61

Thanks for the information Guy. I've completed the packet and will get that off to you asap.

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Guy
Sent: 9/2/2012 6:22 PM
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Telecommunications Customs Form

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "rob" <rfanfant@...>
wrote:
>
> I have a few questions concerning what needs to be listed. Currently the only items I can think of is the K3 and the P3 panadapter.
Ans: The customs form is really for transceivers. I only list my radios. If there is no Ser #, I have put "N/A" for not available.
>
> There are several things that I know I will bring but have not yet purchased. What do I do in this case? Examples include the following
> * I have several 110V to 12VDC supplies at home. Should I just purchase 220V - 100V converters instead of getting a dedicated 220V power supply? If the recommendation is that I purchase a dedicated 220V to 12DC power supply, does anyone have specific suggestions as to what make/model?
Ans: Most of the newer switcher power supplies are dual-voltage, i.e. there is a switch on the back to select 22ov vs 110v. I like the new switchers from Samlex, Astron, or MFJ. They are light weight but effective. I have a MFJ-4125 which has worked great and weighs 4 lbs. We will probably only have 4 stations setup at the villa and consequently only need 4 pwr supplies. However, it is good to have a backup. One past year, the 110-220v switch was not thrown to 220v and we saw smoke. It was very expensive to buy a power supply locally.
> * I will bring a laptop that has yet to be purchased.
Ans: Most laptops can run off 220v. The newer netbooks are great. I recently went with a backlit LCD which enables the screen to be read even in bright sunlight!

> * Thinking about buying the FilterMax III from Array Solutions which uses the W3NQN filters which covers the non-WARC bands. Is this good enough for band pass filters? Any thoughts about this versus buying individual band pass filters?

Ans: I think we are covered with bandpass filters. We have a good selection of individual band filters. Filters are always good for field day so most likely they will get used. Because antennas will be closely

spaced, we can really only have one station on a band at a time, but the filters allow us to operate 20m and 17m without noticeable interference. The new FilterMax III from Array Solutions is a fine piece of equipment and I'm sure we could use it!
Get your app to me as soon as possible please so I can bundle and send all the apps in to the NRTC together.
Thanks, Rob. 73, Guy

62. License Application Status Update...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-07 18:38:29 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 31 Message: 62

Yahoo! Yes, I DO love admin duties!!! Our license pack was UPS-shipped today to St Lucia! So this big step is completed. I expect delivery early next week and then Richard, our host, will hand carry the pack to the St Lucia NRTC.

All the new guys can expect a callsign of J6/(your home call). On subsequent trips to J6, you can then apply for a J38xx call. For instance, Budd's call is now J38FF.

I'll keep everyone posted as to our License Application status!

December will be here before we know it!

73, Guy

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

63. Re: License Application Status Update...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-07 21:54:09 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 31 Message: 63

Thanks Guy for your work on our behalf!

82 days and counting...

Everett W6ABM

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., Guy <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
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>
> December will be here before we know it!
>
> 73, Guy
>
> --
> Guy/N7UN
> http://www.n7un.com
>

64. picture of the St. Lucia DXpedition last year :)

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-17 01:31:06 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 64 Message: 64

...and they say this pic is from last year's St. Lucia DXpedition. Note the attire and modern equipment and surroundings...I can't wait!
Bryan WB8ISG
(check in the PHOTOS section--it's the only pic yet posted)

65. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] picture of the St. Lucia DXpedition last year :)

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-17 11:38:58 UTC
From: N7un.guy
Topic: 64 Message: 65

Yes, this is our "staging setup" for our portable setup we take to Rogue Wave Beach!

Sent from my iPad

On Sep 16, 2012, at 9:31 PM, "Bryan" <cystokid@...> wrote:

> ...and they say this pic is from last year's St. Lucia DXpedition. Note the attire and modern equipment and surroundings...I can't wait!
> Bryan WB8ISG
> (check in the PHOTOS section--it's the only pic yet posted)
>
>

66. Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-23 16:46:57 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 20 Message: 66

If the Elecraft amplifier for the KX3 is not available in time for our trip, I may want to take my Yaesu FT-897D and an Elecraft KX1 rather than the KX3, or I may want to buy the new TenTec 100 watt amplifier to use with the KX3.

How much trouble will the change cause since we have already submitted our customs forms?

Hugh, W4VAB

67. Re: Customs Form

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-23 17:47:13 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 20 Message: 67

Hugh,

Very little trouble....if you make a decision say by Nov 1st. That will give the NRTC about 5 weeks (1 week holiday) to update the Customs form. We can fax it to them to speed up the process.

BTW, on all the 5 previous trips, none of us has EVER had anyone ask for the Customs form. We have had their equivalent of TSA ask us about "all the radio equipment" but as soon as we show them the St Lucia radio license, all was ok. And those questions were on our exit, never on our entrance to St Lucia.

Concerning the KX3 amplifier, we have asked to be "beta testers" of the new amplifier but, as yet, have got no feedback. Last April Elecraft did provide us #23 and #24 KX3's for the trip to VP2M so our relationship is good. If the new amp is available, there is a good chance we can get one or two but no visibility yet.

I too will take the new KX3 amp if it is available.

Guy/N7UN

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:
>
> If the Elecraft amplifier for the KX3 is not available in time for our trip, I may want to take my Yaesu FT-897D and an Elecraft KX1 rather than the KX3, or I may want to buy the new TenTec 100 watt amplifier to use with the KX3.
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> How much trouble will the change cause since we have already submitted our customs forms?
>
> Hugh, W4VAB
>

68. [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Power Plug

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 05:51:46 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 20 Message: 68

All,I've picked up the recommended Iraq/UK extension cord and have a question. I've tried plugging in my (110/220V) SS30 Astron power supply directly into the extension cord, only to find that it doesn't plug in. Do I need some sort of 110 to 220 adapter to get this to work? The Astron comes with a standard 110V three prong attached.
-rob

69. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Power Plug

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 12:12:47 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 20 Message: 69

Rob,

Actually it will plug in. The first time requires a bit of force....wiggle
the US plug and at the same time force it into the extension cord. I
remember mine was that way when I first tried to use it.

Thanks, Guy

On Mon, Sep 24, 2012 at 1:51 AM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...>wrote:

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> All,
> I've picked up the recommended Iraq/UK extension cord and have a question.
> I've tried plugging in my (110/220V) SS30 Astron power supply directly
> into the extension cord, only to find that it doesn't plug in. Do I need
> some sort of 110 to 220 adapter to get this to work? The Astron comes with
> a standard 110V three prong attached.
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> -rob
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>

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

70. new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 20:55:31 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 70 Message: 70

Hey Budd and Guy: I know this is w-a-a-y early. but will you let us know what our St. Lucia callsign is as soon as you get it? I will need to make new macros for my digital software and I'll need the callsign, exact QTH, and grid...
Countin' the days!
Bryan
WB8ISG

71. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:06:02 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 70 Message: 71

From my experience, it will be J6/WB8ISG ... if I'm wrong, I'm buying
the beer!

72, Weymouth (Wey) Walker ...
J6/K8EAB twice in 2010 with the Caribbean Buddies

On 9/24/2012 4:55 PM, Bryan wrote:
>
> Hey Budd and Guy: I know this is w-a-a-y early. but will you let us
> know what our St. Lucia callsign is as soon as you get it? I will need
> to make new macros for my digital software and I'll need the callsign,
> exact QTH, and grid...
> Countin' the days!
> Bryan
> WB8ISG
>

72. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:16:43 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 70 Message: 72

Thanks Wey. I figured as much from the previous postings. Do you have the Maidenhead grid as well? If not, if I know the exact location of the Chateau, I can find it...
Thanks!
Bryan
----- Original Message -----
From: Weymouth Walker
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Monday, September 24, 2012 5:06 PM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

From my experience, it will be J6/WB8ISG ... if I'm wrong, I'm buying the beer!

72, Weymouth (Wey) Walker ...
J6/K8EAB twice in 2010 with the Caribbean Buddies

On 9/24/2012 4:55 PM, Bryan wrote:

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Countin' the days!
Bryan
WB8ISG

73. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:18:46 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 70 Message: 73

Yep ... it was on our QSL cards ...

FK94mc

On 9/24/2012 5:16 PM, Bryan Shumaker wrote:
>
> Thanks Wey. I figured as much from the previous postings. Do you
> have the Maidenhead grid as well? If not, if I know the exact
> location of the Chateau, I can find it...
> Thanks!
> Bryan
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Weymouth Walker <mailto:weymouth01@...>
> *To:* CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
> <mailto:CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...>
> *Sent:* Monday, September 24, 2012 5:06 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign
>
> From my experience, it will be J6/WB8ISG ... if I'm wrong, I'm
> buying the beer!
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>> will need to make new macros for my digital software and I'll
>> need the callsign, exact QTH, and grid...
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>> Bryan
>> WB8ISG
>>
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>

74. Re: new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:38:57 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 70 Message: 74

Yup, it will be J6/yourcall. If you renew your J6 license after 1 year, you then can apply for a J68xx callsign. For instance, my call is now J68UN. Budds is J68FF.

Guy/N7UN

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@....uk, "Bryan" <cystokid@...> wrote:
>
> Hey Budd and Guy: I know this is w-a-a-y early. but will you let us know what our St. Lucia callsign is as soon as you get it? I will need to make new macros for my digital software and I'll need the callsign, exact QTH, and grid...
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75. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:46:19 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 70 Message: 75

On Mon, Sep 24, 2012 at 1:55 PM, Bryan <cystokid@...> wrote:

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> Hey Budd and Guy: I know this is w-a-a-y early. but will you let us know
> what our St. Lucia callsign is as soon as you get it? I will need to make
> new macros for my digital software and I'll need the callsign, exact QTH,
> and grid...
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> Bryan
> WB8ISG
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>

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Have fun every day.....

76. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:46:31 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 70 Message: 76

On Mon, Sep 24, 2012 at 2:06 PM, Weymouth Walker <weymouth01@...>wrote:

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>
> From my experience, it will be J6/WB8ISG ... if I'm wrong, I'm buying the
> beer!
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> 72, Weymouth (Wey) Walker ...
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> On 9/24/2012 4:55 PM, Bryan wrote:
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> and grid...
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> Bryan
> WB8ISG
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Have fun every day.....

77. Re: new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:49:35 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 70 Message: 77

Wrong or right, you're buying the beer anyway! And we will keep a tab running for you when we all meet up in Dayton. "You buy, we fly!"

Guy

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., Weymouth Walker <weymouth01@...> wrote:
>
> From my experience, it will be J6/WB8ISG ... if I'm wrong, I'm buying
> the beer!
>
> 72, Weymouth (Wey) Walker ...
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> On 9/24/2012 4:55 PM, Bryan wrote:
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> > to make new macros for my digital software and I'll need the callsign,
> > exact QTH, and grid...
> > Countin' the days!
> > Bryan
> > WB8ISG
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78. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:50:10 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 70 Message: 78

Bryan, don't bet anything with the Admiral. He will win. He has time
to study, as he NEVER leaves a villa.

BUT, he's always accurate with Maiden-head stuff.

Hey Wey, I spoke with a 'soon-to-be' customer Friday here at the shop.
From Atlanta area. I asked if he knew you, and he didn't salute, but he
said some darned good things about you. Could he have the right Wey?

BD

On Mon, Sep 24, 2012 at 2:16 PM, Bryan Shumaker <cystokid@charter.net>wrote:

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> **
> Thanks Wey. I figured as much from the previous postings. Do you have
> the Maidenhead grid as well? If not, if I know the exact location of the
> Chateau, I can find it...
> Thanks!
> Bryan
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Weymouth Walker <weymouth01@comcast.net>
> *To:* CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
> *Sent:* Monday, September 24, 2012 5:06 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign
>
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> From my experience, it will be J6/WB8ISG ... if I'm wrong, I'm buying the
> beer!
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> 72, Weymouth (Wey) Walker ...
> J6/K8EAB twice in 2010 with the Caribbean Buddies
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> On 9/24/2012 4:55 PM, Bryan wrote:
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> new macros for my digital software and I'll need the callsign, exact QTH,
> and grid...
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> Bryan
> WB8ISG
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Have fun every day..........

79. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 21:57:56 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 70 Message: 79

Surely he was mistaken ...

On 9/24/2012 5:50 PM, Budd Drummond wrote:
> Hey Wey, I spoke with a 'soon-to-be' customer Friday here at the
> shop. From Atlanta area. I asked if he knew you, and he didn't
> salute, but he said some darned good things about you. Could he have
> the right Wey?
>
> BD

80. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 22:00:41 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 70 Message: 80

I'm not buyin' unless I get a 599 RST ...

Wey ...

On 9/24/2012 5:49 PM, Guy wrote:
>
> Wrong or right, you're buying the beer anyway! And we will keep a tab
> running for you when we all meet up in Dayton. "You buy, we fly!"
>
> Guy
>

81. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: new callsign

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-24 22:06:08 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 70 Message: 81

No problem....599, er, 599c. I calls 'em the ways I hears 'em.

On Mon, Sep 24, 2012 at 6:00 PM, Weymouth Walker <weymouth01@...>wrote:

> **
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> I'm not buyin' unless I get a 599 RST ...
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> Wey ...
>
> On 9/24/2012 5:49 PM, Guy wrote:
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>
> Wrong or right, you're buying the beer anyway! And we will keep a tab
> running for you when we all meet up in Dayton. "You buy, we fly!"
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>

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82. [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St. Lucia American Flight Changes

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-28 22:22:04 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 82 Message: 82

I just got word through my travel lady Shari that the American Flight to St. Lucia from MIA is now going out at 10:25 am Sunday and arriving at 2:50 pm in St. Lucia.

Coming back on Tuesday, December 11 we leave at 4:05 pm and arrive in MIA at 7:05 pm. This may affect connections. It gives me a layover in Miami.

Everett W6ABM
Hillsboro, OR

83. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St. Lucia American Flight Changes

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-28 23:03:46 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 82 Message: 83

I haven't got that email from AA yet. But I would expect unusual things from AA from this point on. Should be exciting.

Everett, Let us wait until we get the changes, and then select a hotel to stay at both ways in Miami, ingoing and outbound from SL. I will work with Bryan's contact to secure that room.

Anybody else hear of any changes?

Budd

Have fun every day !

On Sep 28, 2012, at 3:22 PM, "evcurry" <arsw6abm@...> wrote:

> I just got word through my travel lady Shari that the American Flight to St. Lucia from MIA is now going out at 10:25 am Sunday and arriving at 2:50 pm in St. Lucia.
>
> Coming back on Tuesday, December 11 we leave at 4:05 pm and arrive in MIA at 7:05 pm. This may affect connections. It gives me a layover in Miami.
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> Everett W6ABM
> Hillsboro, OR
>
>

84. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St. Lucia American Flight Changes

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-09-28 23:24:30 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 82 Message: 84

Yes, it was a change of 10 mins on the outbound leg. These small changes
are not unusual when you schedule several months in advance. I would
expect another small time change in the next few months. It is normal.

Guy

On Fri, Sep 28, 2012 at 6:22 PM, evcurry <arsw6abm@...> wrote:

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> I just got word through my travel lady Shari that the American Flight to
> St. Lucia from MIA is now going out at 10:25 am Sunday and arriving at 2:50
> pm in St. Lucia.
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> Coming back on Tuesday, December 11 we leave at 4:05 pm and arrive in MIA
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> Everett W6ABM
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Guy/N7UN
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85. Re: Dec 2012 Estimated Expenses....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-02 21:51:44 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 8 Message: 85

Guys,

By now each of you have your airline tickets for departure from MIA on Dec 2 and arrival back to MIA on Dec 11th. Some of you may have to fly into MIA on Sat and likewise on the return stay overnight again before a departure on the 12th back to the west coast.

Our license applications are in process at the NRTC. We should get our licenses in November. I will get them directly and hand them out in MIA. As soon as we get our licenses, you can then setup your LoTW or ClubLog account if you want. The ARRL will require a photocopy of your license to setup an LoTW account for J6/yourcall.

Later this month I will ask for a balance trip payment from each of you. Then we will only have the grocery/beer bill to settle on after we return.

In early Nov we will start a "what radio and antennas should I bring" etc. dialogue. We have left some antenna/parts inventory at the Villa but we can get more detail as necessary. I will do a "Press Release" to juice up the pileups!

If anybody has any questions so far, send me an email or ask on this reflector.

Thanks, Guy

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, Guy <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
>
> The target dates for this trip are: Dec 2 arrival and a Dec 11 departure
> from St Lucia. For general planning purposes we estimate all non-travel
> costs to be around $125-145 per night which includes the Villa rental, a
> rental vehicle, groceries/beer/water, and misc tips/expenses, limo/van
> airport pickup, etc. American Airlines has a direct Miami-St Lucia flight
> that has been very convenient for us over the past 4 trips. We have a
> local cook prepare four evening meals for us which turns out to be just
> outstanding! Personal expenses are your obligation.
>
> Some folks who live on the west coast will have to fly into MIA the day
> before (Dec 1st) in order to catch the early MIA-St Lucia AA airline flight
> early Dec 2. Likewise is true for the return trip. We pack up on Monday
> afternoon Dec 10th and leave Dec 11th from the Villa in the morning.
>
> You will find the time goes by very, very quickly! There are some
> backpack/hiking opportunities/portable operations possibilities, from some
> "extreme" portable operations (see http://goo.gl/4Nyug for our climb of
> Pitit Piton) to more placid beach operations (Rogue Wave beach, Fort
> Rodney) ...just let me know if you are interested.
>
> Generally speaking the weather is between 80f daytime to 70f at night. And
> like most mountainous islands, an afternoon rain squall is not unusual.
> There is almost always a breeze. The direct sun is HOT! Each of the villa

> rooms have air conditioners. There is a swimming pool. There are five
> villa bedrooms, some with king beds and the others with 2 x double beds.
> One bedroom is our "quarantine" room if someone has a bad cold. The owners
> have added a new bedroom but I've not seen it yet. Our hosts, the
> Deveaux's, are an "old" family on the islands. Richard's wife is the
> granddaughter of the original Rodney Bay Rum family. The Villa is their
> original custom built house which is beautifully located on a cliff
> overlooking the Atlantic ocean to the north. The views are spectacular and
> the RF propogation is just amazing....you are perched on a 300 ft tower!
>
> More general info forthcoming this week.
>
> Regards, Guy
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> --
> Guy/N7UN
> http://www.n7un.com
>

86. yet another picture of a past trip....!

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-06 09:20:06 UTC
From: bryanshumaker
Topic: 86 Message: 86

....and I was able to find a drawing of a past trip by our group leaders. This was from many years ago when one of the early trips was to the mystical mountain areas of Tibet...now I understand why the Chinese government has found so much local resistance to their rule!

87. oh yeah...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-06 09:20:59 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 87 Message: 87

...and I forgot to mention that the picture is in the photos section!

88. Check the picture in the Photos section in "Dxpeditions of the past....."

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-08 22:43:24 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 88 Message: 88

Another photo from the archives. It shows Budd and Guy trying to work a much needed QSO for the ARRL WAP Award (Worked All Planets). They are attempting this via EME----(Earth-Mongo-Earth) propagation. Mongo, of course, is the home world of Emperor "Ming the Merciless"..... :)

89. Everett...need info

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-13 09:10:19 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 89 Message: 89

Ev,

I have sent several emails to you requesting info ASAP. Maybe they are hitting a spam bucket? If you get this, please look for those emails and get me the info ASAP.

Tanks in advance, Guy

90. (no subject)

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-19 12:20:40 UTC
From: O.C.
Topic: 90 Message: 90

http://farmerseq.com/wp-content/uploads/noserada.php

91. Questions

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-24 22:11:58 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 91 Message: 91

Since I am new to this group I have several questions,

1. It is apparent that I will not receive an Elecraft 100 watt amp in time for the trip so I plan to take my 40 year old TenTec Model 405 amp. It will privide 50 watts on 80 through 10 meters. Do I need to resubmit my forms?

2. Is the water at St. Lucia safe to drink or should I bring a filter and/or water purification pills?

3. Is anyone taking a first aid kit or are we each taking our own?

4. Do we need insect repellant?

5. I use a CPAP machine to prevent snoring otherwise I would keep everyone awake until you moved me out of the house. Is distilled water available on the island for the CPAP machine? If the humidity is high enough I won't need distilled water.

I may think of more questions as the time draws near but that's it for now.

Hugh W4VAB

92. (no subject)

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-24 23:14:17 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 92 Message: 92

I'm bringing my BiPAP. We'll have a real concert of moving air. I now use non-distiller water in mine.

93. And Color mine CPAP

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 00:42:18 UTC
From: zf2scka9p
Topic: 92 Message: 93

But at least we won't be blamed for the snoring! 73 Scott
--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., arsw6abm <arsw6abm@...> wrote:
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> I'm bringing my BiPAP. We'll have a real concert of moving air. I now use
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94. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Questions

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 00:49:32 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 91 Message: 94

Hugh, I've there three times, and I can speak to the water situation. We drink the water at the villa, but we also buy cases of water in bottles at a local supermarket. You can go with Guy to the markets to shop anytime.

The stores in town have a lot of the same products we have at home. But I will find out about the distilled water and will post it here.

Insect repellant is available at the markets, but this villa has windows in each bedroom, so if you put the A/C on and keep your door shut, it isn't a problem. If you DX out on the outside deck after dark, you will need repellant. Some of us stay up late for 80 meter CW. If 160 is open, it is a bet we will be into it. Daytime no bugs to speak of.

I'll let Guy answer the question about the amp change. Frankly, they have never questioned any equipment, listed or not.

Budd

Have fun every day !

On Oct 24, 2012, at 3:11 PM, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

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> I may think of more questions as the time draws near but that's it for now.
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> Hugh W4VAB
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95. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] First aid kit

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 00:52:01 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 92 Message: 95

Scott, you 're a doc. How about a first aid kit? We haven't ever needed one on our many trips.

Budd

Have fun every day !

On Oct 24, 2012, at 5:42 PM, "zf2scka9p" <ka9p@...> wrote:

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> But at least we won't be blamed for the snoring! 73 Scott
> --- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, arsw6abm <arsw6abm@...> wrote:
> >
> > I'm bringing my BiPAP. We'll have a real concert of moving air. I now use
> > non-distiller water in mine.
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96. Re: First aid kit

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 01:05:28 UTC
From: zf2scka9p
Topic: 92 Message: 96

Ha Budd, nope, a JD, sig other is doc but no first aid kit. I keep her because she's good with antennas.

In fact you worked some dx on 20 the other night right after she helped me get my new hex up and I hollered at ya, but the beam was pointed at Eu and rotor not hooked up. Clearly I need an amp on the kx3 :)

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., budd <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:
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97. first aid kit

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 02:04:58 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 97 Message: 97

Well guys, I AM a doctor-a urologist! So, besides the usual stuff, I'm bringing a box of gloves and KY jelly for those of you who haven't had their prostates checked recently :)

Actually, if needed, I can put together a decent first aid kit....Budd, if you or Guy think one might be needed, let me know..
Bryan
WB8ISG

98. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Questions

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 06:25:30 UTC
From: N7un.guy
Topic: 91 Message: 98

GM Hugh,

No need to submit forms. It takes about 6 weeks or more for them to process ("island time 'mon"). We have never been questioned going in to St Lucia but have been questioned when leaving. In those instances we just show them out licenses and all is well.

Re: first aid kit, I carry my own misc stuff, band aids, etc. but no big kit. Our host is a neighbor with kids. I'm sure they can help. Plus we are just a few miles from a hospital in Gros Islet and Castries. You'll find J6 too be fairly modern even if they do drive on the wrong side of the road!

Water is fine. We also drink bottled water. We go to town every other day to shop for groceries or the hardware store for "stuff".

More info when I get home in a few days....currently vacationing and exploring in Spain! One more item on the bucket list checked off!

73, Guy

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 25, 2012, at 12:11 AM, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

> Since I am new to this group I have several questions,
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> I may think of more questions as the time draws near but that's it for now.
>
> Hugh W4VAB
>
>

99. Re: first aid kit

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 11:32:47 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 97 Message: 99

I don't think I'll ask any more questions and I won't turn my back on Bryan :)
Hugh
W4VAB

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "Bryan" <cystokid@...> wrote:
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> Well guys, I AM a doctor-a urologist! So, besides the usual stuff, I'm bringing a box of gloves and KY jelly for those of you who haven't had their prostates checked recently :)
>
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> Bryan
> WB8ISG
>

100. St. Lucia trips of the past-2

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-25 12:54:00 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 100 Message: 100

Well All, Here are two more pics gleaned from the archives. They show an early Budd prototype antenna! Guy had several of the locals haul it up and down the Pitons (the two mountainous peaks) in St. Lucia numerous times to demonstrate its portability. Somewhat physically challenging as it weighted several hundred pounds. The porters posed for pictures AFTER this endeavor. I'm glad Budd opted to pursue the BuddiPole concept and refine it! :)
Bryan

PS--It's filed in the PHOTOS section under "St. Lucia trips of the past-2"

101. FrankenStorm - 100 yr Historic Hurricane

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-29 12:19:10 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 101 Message: 101

Well...it started getting windy overnight with some light rain showers. This is a HUGE storm, it's 400 miles from us and 800-1000 miles across! Winds in southern NJ are gusting already above 41 mph and its still 400 miles from landfall. My current winds are gusting to 25 mph or so from the north, sustained about 15 mph with light rain showers. Temp is 51 degrees. The transportation network (buses, trains, subways) in NYC (Manhatten mostly) are shut down. Schools in NYC and most of NJ are closed affecting 2 MM kids. Same is true in NJ. Emergency states have been declared for both States. To give you an idea of how big the storm is: 25 ft waves are forecasted for the Great Lakes due to northerly winds wrapping around this storm. That's 800 miles from this storm!
The major impact will be the storm surge which is forecasted to be between 6-10 ft on top of peak, full moon high tides. This alone will devastate many beach communities affecting 100,000's of folks in NJ and Long Island. The storm will last for about 48 hrs which is unprecedented in recent 100 yr history. So at least 3 high tides which will impact low lying areas of NYC (lower Manhatten, parts of Queens...some 1/2-million people). All the bridges and tunnels will close when the winds pick up to forecasted sustained 50+ mph with gusts to 75 mph. Salty ocean water if it floods lower Manhatten could cripple the electrical and communication networks for months. The power grid could be down for a week or more according to the pre-alerts by the electric power companies.
The worst is forecast for a 30 hr period beginning 2 pm EDT Monday thru 6 pm Tuesday with 50 mph sustained and wind gusts > 70 mph. Heavy snows in the Appalachians.
Watch the weather channel for some amazing coverage of this historic storm. The weather folks have "never seen a storm of this size" so it's an "event" not to miss.
Personally, I like "big weather events" but have some trepidation/fear coupled with anticipation/excitement. Fortunately I have my 4-L Steppir on the ground for some 8 yr maintenance so, thankfully, I'm not worried about the big iron up in the air on my 95' tower. Hopefully my dipoles will stay up!
Enjoying the electricity while I can! Later, Guy

102. Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-10-31 19:45:50 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 102 Message: 102

Hi Guy,

Hope that's not you I'm watching on CNN, and hopefully that nice beam and tower are where you left them.

I was looking though my notes and wanted to ask whether there's anything we need for the good of the order that I might need to pick up yet - bandpass filter, etc, or whether you think we're in pretty good shape.

I cant believe its actually getting close...

73 Scott

103. Re: First aid kit

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-01 00:19:29 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 92 Message: 103

Hey, we have a doc-xtravaganza. I am a D.Min.

Everett W6ABM

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "zf2scka9p" <ka9p@...> wrote:
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>

104. Re: Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-01 00:21:04 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 102 Message: 104

I'm bringing a 10 meter band filter (Array El).

Everett

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., ka9p@... wrote:
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> Hi Guy,
>
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105. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-01 12:41:48 UTC
From: n7un.guy@gmail.com
Topic: 102 Message: 105

Yup, probably is me on CNN? Don't know. No electricity so no TV, Internet, or any comforts. Forecast is for 10-14 days for restoration! Power lines down all over my area.

Lets talk who is bringing antennas? We will have up a

Sent from my iPhone
On Oct 31, 2012, at 3:45 PM, ka9p@... wrote:

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106. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-01 12:52:16 UTC
From: n7un.guy@gmail.com
Topic: 102 Message: 106

Sorry too hard to do emails on my cellphone. Antennas: we need BP antennas for 20m, 17m, and 30m, complete with a small tripod, mast, and 50 ft of coax. If you plan to go portable, those ants will be in addition.

I will bring a 80/160m dipole plus 2 element beam stuff. We do have some backup stuff at the Villa already.

Please reply as to what complete ant system you can bring.

Tnx, Guy

Sent from my iPhone
On Nov 1, 2012, at 8:41 AM, n7un.guy@... wrote:

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107. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-01 16:32:31 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 102 Message: 107

On my end, I have a BuddiStick setup, 50' of RG58 coax, a small tripod and mount. BuddiStick all set for 20m; I have an MFJ antenna analyzer I'm bringing to re-tune as needed for other bands. Also, lots of other little stuff (two meter handhelds, laptop, connector cables, etc.)...
Bryan WB8ISG

----- Original Message -----
From: n7un.guy@...
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2012 8:52 AM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Shopping List?

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108. ...time for yet another picture from St. Lucia Dxpeditions of the past

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-01 20:47:51 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 108 Message: 108

I thought we should inject a bit of levity here. The pic posted in "St. Lucia #3" is in the PHOTOS section. It was taken during destructive testing of the standard Buddipole setup. Budd ran the entire 350K watt output of Radio St. Lucia through the antenna. Although he was only on air for .0004 seconds before the fire and explosion, he was able to open up a portal to another dimension....

109. Re: Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-01 23:53:23 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 102 Message: 109

I plan to bring a Mini-Buddipole, accessories to configure it as a Buddistick, a triple-ratio switch balun, a 50 ft length of coax and a 25 ft length of coax, an iP30 SWR analyzer, an 8 foot shock cord mast, and a guying kit.

If anyone thinks that I need a taller mast and a tripod just let me know and I'll order them quickly.

Hugh, W4VAB

110. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-02 02:16:00 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 102 Message: 110

Hope things better now Guy.

OK, my inventory looks like:

1 standard Buddipole
4 extra long whips
3 extra short whips
1 four section shock corded whip
2 low band coils
spare Versatee and 2 PVC tripods for running phased verticals at the beach
all hardware for a 2 el beam using the long whips except missing those
pesky rotating arm thingies (long story)
extra 20 ft run of rg58
3 AT271 whips (sorry Budd, I started using them before you were selling
your shock corded whips :)

What's the biggest beam we're building for the 10 Meter Contest? Do we
need to model something bizarre like a 4 or 5 element Buddibeam? Or is that
a multiwhip whip suicide waiting to happen? :)

73 Scott

In a message dated 11/1/2012 7:52:25 A.M. Central Daylight Time,
n7un.guy@... writes:

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111. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-02 04:53:57 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 102 Message: 111

Hugh, you are set to go. Excellent choice of stuff. As Guy has mentioned, we have a detailed list of stuff we have left at the villa.

We will set up the antennas at the villa that will be available to any operator who wants to use them. A dedicated 30 meter VersaTee Vertical that garners worldwide CW pileups from the first day on. A full size 20 Meter Buddipole on the roof. A Buddipole Yagi for the 10 meter Contest...and that contest could be incredible this year. Full size Buddipole dipoles up on the roof for 12 and 15 meters. We always shine on 17 Meters.

Scott has been experimenting with gain verticals on beaches for years, so I would ask him to take that task on for 17 Meters. For 40, I have set up a vertical array that has been a killer. Let's do that.
. If everyone brings their marked components, we will have enough dipole arms and coils and whips to concoct a myriad of efficient offerings. I will read what you all are bringing, and will bring anything that appears we will be short on.

Guy does the 80 Meter and 160 Meter antennas on about day three. We will all be busy the first couple of days with setup. Usually, guy and i work on Buddipole antennas starting the morning following our arrival day, and guys set up their stations at the villa at that time. I'm not climbing as much as I have in the past, so Guy will need some roof help.

This is a hoot, folks. It is truly a joy to visit Chateau Devaux.

Budd

Have fun every day !

On Nov 1, 2012, at 4:53 PM, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

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112. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Shopping List?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-02 05:00:19 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 102 Message: 112

Good stuff, Scott. Watch your weight limit on the bags.

If anyone has an extra short mast and tripod, bring that please. We will need them for roof antennas and for experimenting with Buddipole designs we will use away from the vila itself.

I will have two complete walking stick verticals in my bag as well as a myriad of shock/corded whips.

Budd

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113. Aftermath of Sandy

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-07 20:00:56 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 102 Message: 113

Guy,

Since you are probably dealing with the aftermant of Sandy do you need to appoint a deputy to help with some of the St. Lucia arrangements?

Maybe you could ask one of the om that you know to collect our money or something.

What the rest of us do to help you?

73,

Hugh W4VAB

114. Fwd: Guy update: Day 9

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-07 21:14:11 UTC
From: n7un.guy@gmail.com
Topic: 114 Message: 114

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> From: n7un.guy@...
> Date: November 7, 2012, 4:13:09 PM EST
> To: BICBarbados2013@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Guy update: Day 9
>
> Still no electricity although the pwr company did replace broken pwr poles yesterday. Hi-voltage lines still on the ground! And now we have another storm hitting. Airlines in NYC have shut down again. This storm is a classic nor'easter! I'm getting snow now with 4-6" forecast by Thursday am; insult onto injury! Many, many folks still have no heat, water, or electricity. And we are on gas rationing; odd/even days and $50 max purchase. I'm guessing it will be another week before electricity! Voted in a tent with generators!
>
> The warm Caribbean sounds really nice at this point!
>
> Later, Guy
>
> Sent from my iPhone

115. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Aftermath of Sandy

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-07 21:33:21 UTC
From: n7un.guy@gmail.com
Topic: 102 Message: 115

Thanks Ev. Will be at a Library that reportedly is open and has WiFi. I'll review where we are at with finances and needed info for our trip!

Thanks, Guy

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 7, 2012, at 3:00 PM, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

> Guy,
>
> Since you are probably dealing with the aftermant of Sandy do you need to appoint a deputy to help with some of the St. Lucia arrangements?
>
> Maybe you could ask one of the om that you know to collect our money or something.
>
> What the rest of us do to help you?
>
> 73,
>
> Hugh W4VAB
>
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116. extra room

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-10 00:57:44 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 116 Message: 116

Hi All! Since I am flying business/first class (very little difference in cost from up here if I add in the extra baggage costs), I won't be as limited in my luggage amount. Guy suggested that I contact the members of this most august group, and if you want something to take and have run out of room, get it to me and I'll pack it in a spare suitcase...
Bryan WB8ISG

117. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] extra room

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-10 02:09:05 UTC
From: n7un.guy@gmail.com
Topic: 116 Message: 117

Yahoo! Looks like I'll get electricity soon. Utility crews are replacing broken off power poles this PM. Lights and Internet service are not far behind!

We need a few small tripods and one big one for the 30m vertical. Budd are you gonna bring the big tripod? Bryon has an "extra" suitcase that he's offering space for the big or bulky items.

We can send him stuff for his extra suitcase.

73, Guy

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 9, 2012, at 7:57 PM, "Bryan" <cystokid@...> wrote:

> Hi All! Since I am flying business/first class (very little difference in cost from up here if I add in the extra baggage costs), I won't be as limited in my luggage amount. Guy suggested that I contact the members of this most august group, and if you want something to take and have run out of room, get it to me and I'll pack it in a spare suitcase...
> Bryan WB8ISG
>
>

118. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] extra room

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-10 02:59:20 UTC
From: Budd
Topic: 116 Message: 118

I can bring two tripods if we need them.
Will take fewer experimental parts. 50 pounds
adds up fast.

Budd

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 9, 2012, at 6:09 PM, n7un.guy@... wrote:

> Yahoo! Looks like I'll get electricity soon. Utility crews are replacing broken off power poles this PM. Lights and Internet service are not far behind!
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> We need a few small tripods and one big one for the 30m vertical. Budd are you gonna bring the big tripod? Bryon has an "extra" suitcase that he's offering space for the big or bulky items.
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> We can send him stuff for his extra suitcase.
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> 73, Guy
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>> Bryan WB8ISG
>
>

119. Re: extra room

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-10 23:27:21 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 116 Message: 119

I am picking up a Buddipole Tripod on Monday and
plan to bring it.

Ev

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., Budd <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:
>
> I can bring two tripods if we need them.
> Will take fewer experimental parts. 50 pounds
> adds up fast.
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> Budd
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> Sent from my iPhone
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> >> Bryan WB8ISG
> >
> >
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120. What I'm Bringing

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-11 00:27:54 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 120 Message: 120

I added a database in the DATABASE section. You can click on the ADD RECORD item and include your information. It is easily updated if you make changes.

I posted a list of participants in spreadsheet form in the files section.

EV W6ABM

121. New file uploaded to CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-11 00:28:46 UTC
From: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Topic: 3 Message: 121

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
group.

File : /Buddies4List.xlsx
Uploaded by : evcurry <arsw6abm@...>
Description : Participants in Buddies4

You can access this file at the URL:
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/Buddies4List.xlsx

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/uk/groups/files

Regards,

evcurry <arsw6abm@...>

122. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] What I'm Bringing

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-12 17:40:06 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 120 Message: 122

EV,

I noticed you are bringing an Apple Macbook Pro. What logging software are you using?

I was planning to bring an ACER notebook using ACLOG, but would love to migrate all my "stuff" to Apple machines. :-)

I will upload a list of what I plan to bring as well. I have plenty of BuddiPole equipment so I need to narrow it down to something manageable. Do I need to bring a Tripod or just the mast and antenna elements (whips, coils, wire)?

Jerry
W5TDY

On Nov 10, 2012, at 7:27 PM, evcurry <arsw6abm@...> wrote:

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>
> EV W6ABM
>
>

123. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] What I'm Bringing

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-12 17:53:13 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 120 Message: 123

I'd be excited, EV and Jerry to see what's being used - I still haven't put a logging program on my WIndows portable, and would much prefer it to be on the MAcBook too :)

In a message dated 11/12/2012 11:40:11 A.M. Central Standard Time, jlongtexas@... writes:

EV,

I noticed you are bringing an Apple Macbook Pro. What logging software are you using?

I was planning to bring an ACER notebook using ACLOG, but would love to migrate all my "stuff" to Apple machines. :-)

I will upload a list of what I plan to bring as well. I have plenty of BuddiPole equipment so I need to narrow it down to something manageable. Do I need to bring a Tripod or just the mast and antenna elements (whips, coils, wire)?

Jerry
W5TDY

On Nov 10, 2012, at 7:27 PM, evcurry <_arsw6abm@..._ (mailto:arsw6abm@...) > wrote:

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EV W6ABM

124. Re: What I'm Bringing

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-12 19:34:28 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 120 Message: 124

Jerry et al

I am planning on using ACLog...which I have used for a long time on a PC. I'll be running it under a virtual machine on the MACBook Pro.

I am bringing a tripod if we need it. Guy and Budd indicated an additional one would be helpful.

Everett W6ABM

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, Jerry Long <jlongtexas@...> wrote:
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> EV,
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> I noticed you are bringing an Apple Macbook Pro. What logging software are you using?
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> I was planning to bring an ACER notebook using ACLOG, but would love to migrate all my "stuff" to Apple machines. :-)
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> Jerry
> W5TDY
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> > EV W6ABM
> >
> >
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125. Re: What I'm Bringing

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-12 19:36:54 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 120 Message: 125

Colleagues:

I live in Hillsboro...so can pick up from the home of Buddipole whatever we need to add...

I'll post a note to the N3FJP users group regarding any issues with ACLog running on a vm on the MAC.

Everett W6ABM

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., ka9p@... wrote:
>
> I'd be excited, EV and Jerry to see what's being used - I still haven't put
> a logging program on my WIndows portable, and would much prefer it to be
> on the MAcBook too :)
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> In a message dated 11/12/2012 11:40:11 A.M. Central Standard Time,
> jlongtexas@... writes:
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> EV,
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> I noticed you are bringing an Apple Macbook Pro. What logging software
> are you using?
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> I was planning to bring an ACER notebook using ACLOG, but would love to
> migrate all my "stuff" to Apple machines. :-)
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> BuddiPole equipment so I need to narrow it down to something manageable. Do I
> need to bring a Tripod or just the mast and antenna elements (whips,
> coils, wire)?
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> Jerry
> W5TDY
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> On Nov 10, 2012, at 7:27 PM, evcurry <_arsw6abm@..._
> (mailto:arsw6abm@...) > wrote:
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> changes.
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> I posted a list of participants in spreadsheet form in the files section.
>
> EV W6ABM
>

126. Using N3FJP ACLog on MACBook Pro

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-12 19:53:41 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 126 Message: 126

Colleagues

I just added to the Files section a note containing an exchange on the N3FJP Software Users group regarding the use of ACLog on the MACBook Pro. The exchange comes from 2011 and discusses the use of XP within an add-on virtual machine program.

Everett W6ABM

127. Buddipole "Suitcase" Mini-DXpedition to J6/St Lucia Dec2012

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-13 18:04:56 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 127 Message: 127

Folks,
This is the "DX news release" that I've sent/posted to six major DX Newsletters. Please feel free to use this info for your local Club newletter information. BUT DO NOT POST this info on eham.net or qrz.com. Both these websites DO NOT WANT this type of info as they believe it is an "infomercial". Let me know if you have any questions or recommendations. Thanks, Guy
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The "Buddies in the Caribbean" suitcase mini-DXpedition group which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and Buddipole portable antenna systems is back again to St Lucia (J6) on Dec 2□ 11, 2012.
The north shore villa location was magnificent on our first visit in Feb 2010 and subsequent visits in December of the following years with a new group of operators. Our goal is to demonstrate "ultralite" DXpeditioning into magnificent "vista" locations, operating a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all "having fun" with a new group of operators who have never experienced the "other side of a pileup!"
The eight operators this Dec 2012 are: Everett/W6ABM, Robert/N7QT, Hugh/W4VAB, Bryan/WB8ISG, Scott/KA9P, Jerry/W5TDY, Budd/W3FF, and Guy/N7UN. There will be 3 villa stations in operation on 160-10m using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only, field portable either from St Lucia beaches or scenic mountain tops and will sign call/p. They group will participate in the ARRL 10m contest (callsign: J68UN) on Dec 8-9th.
QSL via LoTW, eQSL or mail to the operator's home callsign (SASE required).

128. Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-14 20:14:47 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 128 Message: 128

Have any of you made reservations for December 1 in a Miami motel?

Which one?

Hugh, W4VAB

129. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-14 20:45:45 UTC
From: Jerry W Long
Topic: 128 Message: 129

I have reservations at the Miami airport Hilton.

Jerry
W5TDY

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 14, 2012, at 3:14 PM, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

> Have any of you made reservations for December 1 in a Miami motel?
>
> Which one?
>
> Hugh, W4VAB
>
>

130. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-14 20:47:44 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 128 Message: 130

Hugh, Budd here. I am on a different computer, but tonight will email you the reservations that Ev and I have for a Miami hotel incoming and outgoing, as we are both on the West Coast.

On Wed, Nov 14, 2012 at 12:14 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

> **
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> Have any of you made reservations for December 1 in a Miami motel?
>
> Which one?
>
> Hugh, W4VAB
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>

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Have fun every day.....

131. Re: Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-14 23:00:11 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 128 Message: 131

Well, I'm at the Element Miami Int'l Airport on NW 25th St on Dec. 1 and I think Budd has reservations at the same place...free shuttle, etc. and the ph number is 305-636-1600...
Bryan

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, Budd Drummond <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:
>
> Hugh, Budd here. I am on a different computer, but tonight will email
> you the reservations that Ev and I have for a Miami hotel incoming and
> outgoing, as we are both on the West Coast.
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> On Wed, Nov 14, 2012 at 12:14 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@...> wrote:
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> > Have any of you made reservations for December 1 in a Miami motel?
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> > Which one?
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> > Hugh, W4VAB
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> Have fun every day.....
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132. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-15 00:21:16 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 128 Message: 132

https://mytripandmore.com/Itinerary.aspx?PNR=2FWSGS&clockFormat=12&lastName=DRUMMOND

Budd

On Wed, Nov 14, 2012 at 3:00 PM, Bryan <cystokid@charter.net> wrote:

> **
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>
> Well, I'm at the Element Miami Int'l Airport on NW 25th St on Dec. 1 and I
> think Budd has reservations at the same place...free shuttle, etc. and the
> ph number is 305-636-1600...
> Bryan
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> --- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., Budd Drummond <w3ffbudd@...>
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> > outgoing, as we are both on the West Coast.
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> > > > Which one?
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> > > > Hugh, W4VAB
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> > > Have fun every day.....
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Have fun every day..........

133. Re: Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-15 01:20:34 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 128 Message: 133

Wow...just looked at my airline return ticket. I'm spending Tuesday night in Miami and need to share a room.

Anybody want to share a room?

Guy

134. scuba, anyone?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-20 21:22:25 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 134 Message: 134

At Budd's suggestion, I thought I would ask if any of the group is interested in scuba diving or snorkeling sometime during our stay. At some point we all may need a short break from operating, and I've scuba dived for many years, although not in the last several. Scuba in St. Lucia is pretty good, having done it about twenty years ago. If anyone is interested, reply here so I'll then at least bring my mask, fins , and snorkel. Budd says there are people there that can get us wt up, if we so desire....Only 11 days to go!

135. J6/XXXX calls and LOTW certficate

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-20 22:10:13 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 135 Message: 135

Guy,

At what point do we need to get our documentation so that we can create the LOTW certificate and/or QRZ.com site?

I just applied for LOTW certificate for my home station and it took a week to get the card in the mail.

-rob N7QT

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136. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6/XXXX calls and LOTW certficate

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-20 22:18:16 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 135 Message: 136

Any day now. We had a hold up with Ev's/W6ABM application but when I last talked with Richard in St Lucia, the apps were getting a signature by the Minister of Telecom. I'll check tomorrow again. You can get an additional cert just by sending the ARRL a copy of the short license.

If interested in uploading your logs, most dxers use ClubLog at www.* clublog*.org/ I generally upload my logs to clublog at least 3 times from St Lucia then do the upload to LoTW when I get home.

Guy

On Tue, Nov 20, 2012 at 5:10 PM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...>wrote:

> **
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> Guy,****
>
> At what point do we need to get our documentation so that we can create
> the LOTW certificate and/or QRZ.com site? ****
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> ** **
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> I just applied for LOTW certificate for my home station and it took a week
> to get the card in the mail. ****
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> -rob N7QT****
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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

137. Setup your J6/callsign in QRZ.com

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-20 22:33:18 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 137 Message: 137

Be sure to add your dxpedition info on your QRZ.com biography and qsl information. You will have lots of lookups where folks want qsl requirements.

73, Guy

138. Re: Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-20 23:50:23 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 128 Message: 138

I have a room for the night of Tuesday December 11. Right now it is a King sized bed. I can probably change it to 2 smaller beds if you would like to share.

Hugh, W4VAB

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "Guy" <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
>
> Wow...just looked at my airline return ticket. I'm spending Tuesday night in Miami and need to share a room.
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> Anybody want to share a room?
>
> Guy
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139. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Miami Motel

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 00:01:04 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 128 Message: 139

Hugh,

That would be great. Yes, two beds.....it will be a long day but we can have dinner with Budd and Ev. Tell good stories and bask in the knowledge that we did good!

Thanks, Guy

On Tue, Nov 20, 2012 at 6:50 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

> **
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>
> I have a room for the night of Tuesday December 11. Right now it is a King
> sized bed. I can probably change it to 2 smaller beds if you would like to
> share.
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> > Guy
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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

140. Equipment sharring ????

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 00:25:11 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 140 Message: 140

As my pile of equipment gets larger and heavier I'm wondering whether it would be advantageous to share equipment. My flight to Miami on Delta only allows one 50# bag plus the usual carry on.

I notice that the publicity release says that we are setting up three stations at the villa, so I'm wondering if we need to take 8 "base" stations or is there a possibility that we could pair up and only take 4 or 5 stations?

Right not I have the following equipment waiting to be packed;

KX3 with attached key
microphone for KX3 (a maybe)
Ten-Tec 418 100 watt amplifier
Power Werx 25 amp switching supply
Power strip
LDG Z-100Plus tuner (a maybe)
laptop
K1EL Winkeyer USB
a sound card and isolation circuit for PSK-31
KX1 (for beach)
Mini Buddipole with VersaTee
Triple ratio balun
Wire so Buddipole can be set up as Buddistick
8 foot shock cord mast
iP30 SWR Analyzer
guying kit
4S1P A123 battery
Multi4 charger for battery
50 feet of RG-8
25 feet of RG-8 (for beach)
a Comet CTC-50M strip to go under a window
various connecting cables
lightweight tarp 10'x 10'
poles for tarp

So if someone else plans to take a similar equipment and would like to share and each of us take half of the equipment then please let me know.

Hugh, W4VAB

141. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Equipment sharring ????

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 00:50:52 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 140 Message: 141

Per the database at
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/database<http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/database>
I
am bringing my K3 which can be used as a permanent villa radio. Likewise
my KX3 will be used for /p operations.

Here's my comments on your equipment list:

- Don't need the LDG-Z tuner. Almost all the BP antennas will be setup to
be 50ohm resonant.
- Don't need your multi4 charger. Although it's lightweight and might be
a good backup.
- Don't need the Comet window strip. Most of the station setups will be
on a covered deck area with coax coming from the roof to the deck area.
- I bring a lightweight tarp to sit on at the beach. On one portable
side, the wind blows constantly. No way your tarp and poles will stay up.
We tried that once. Best way to block the sun is for long sleeved
shirts/pants and a hat. That will work on the non-windy side for one of
the /p sites. There is a great spot Budd drives up to in order to operate
from the vehicle. We try not to go out in the sun mid-day....just too hot.
So take a look at the tarp/poles.

I think there will be considerable interest in the TenTec Amp for the KX3.

I check my 50 pounder suitcase then have a separate rollable that is my
carryon. My rollable gets pretty heavy....probably 30 lbs or so. So you
might consider that as another alternative.

Guy

On Tue, Nov 20, 2012 at 7:25 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

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> laptop
> K1EL Winkeyer USB
> a sound card and isolation circuit for PSK-31
> KX1 (for beach)
> Mini Buddipole with VersaTee
> Triple ratio balun
> Wire so Buddipole can be set up as Buddistick
> 8 foot shock cord mast
> iP30 SWR Analyzer
> guying kit
> 4S1P A123 battery
> Multi4 charger for battery
> 50 feet of RG-8
> 25 feet of RG-8 (for beach)
> a Comet CTC-50M strip to go under a window
> various connecting cables
> lightweight tarp 10'x 10'
> poles for tarp
>
> So if someone else plans to take a similar equipment and would like to
> share and each of us take half of the equipment then please let me know.
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> Hugh, W4VAB
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Guy/N7UN
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142. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] scuba, anyone?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 03:10:30 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 134 Message: 142

I would be inclined to snorkel a bit, and used to scuba a lot. I'll toss in the mask and snorkel and dive card just in case, I'm getting pretty maxed out for the fins but will see what the scale says in a week or so after rethinking the packing list :). Scott

In a message dated 11/20/2012 3:53:10 P.M. Central Standard Time, cystokid@... writes:

At Budd's suggestion, I thought I would ask if any of the group is interested in scuba diving or snorkeling sometime during our stay. At some point we all may need a short break from operating, and I've scuba dived for many years, although not in the last several. Scuba in St. Lucia is pretty good, having done it about twenty years ago. If anyone is interested, reply here so I'll then at least bring my mask, fins , and snorkel. Budd says there are people there that can get us wt up, if we so desire....Only 11 days to go!

Yahoo! Groups Links

143. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] scuba, anyone?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 03:24:53 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 134 Message: 143

Great, Scott! I'll bring what I can as well--the fins may present an issue...
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From: ka9p@...
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2012 10:10 PM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] scuba, anyone?

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Yahoo! Groups Links

144. Fwd: Fed ex package

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 13:57:21 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 144 Message: 144

Fyi....

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <devauxr@...>
Date: Wed, Nov 21, 2012 at 8:46 AM
Subject: Fed ex package
To: Guy Hamblen <n7un.guy@...>

Hi Guy
I just picked up Ev Curry's license so all 8 licenses and customs forms are
in my hand.
Can you send me your fed ex address and info and tel # so I can send this
off today and you can re distribute to the other guys.

You will be down in the warm weather very soon.
Thanks
Richard

Sent from my BlackBerry® wireless device from LIME.

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

145. Re: scuba, anyone?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 13:59:53 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 134 Message: 145

Most dive shops have package rentals of mask/snorkel and fins so you could save a lot on weight and space.

Just a suggestion, Guy

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "Bryan Shumaker" <cystokid@...> wrote:
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> Great, Scott! I'll bring what I can as well--the fins may present an issue...
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> To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
> Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2012 10:10 PM
> Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] scuba, anyone?
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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146. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: scuba, anyone?

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 14:02:51 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 134 Message: 146

It's always nice to have at least your own mask and snorkel..fins and the other stuff are easy to rent!
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From: Guy
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2012 8:59 AM
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: scuba, anyone?

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147. Driving help in St Lucia

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 14:37:30 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 147 Message: 147

I get a local driver's license (cost is US$25) because of insurance requirements since our host provides a vehicle (last trip it was a van that we could just squeeze all 8 of us in - spam in a can).

We need a 2nd or even 3rd driver to help out. Is there anyone that's "comfortable" driving on the left side of the road, British-style that can help? We don't go to town often (only 4 or 5 miles from the Villa) but I can guarantee that you will get to sightsee (errr...lost) several times, esp. if Budd is navigating!

Guy

148. Mini-DXpedition Basics/Talking points

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 15:39:26 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 148 Message: 148

Guys,

I just uploaded to the files section at:

http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/

a .pdf document on the "who, what, when" of a mini-DXpedition.

Please print this out and bring that copy with you to St Lucia. We will have a Monday AM meeting/discussion about this document which will be our segue into the start of our mini-DXpedition.

If you have any questions before, please let's discuss.

Thanks, Guy

149. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Driving help in St Lucia

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 15:52:57 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 147 Message: 149

Guy - I should volunteer, I do it in the Caymans some, and assuming its the same relaxed pace I'd be fine. Is it a quick matter to pay for the license there, or is there prework involved at all? Thanks Scott

In a message dated 11/21/2012 8:37:35 A.M. Central Standard Time, n7un.guy@... writes:

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Guy

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150. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Driving help in St Lucia

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 15:55:17 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 147 Message: 150

Thanks Scott. Yes, very relaxed except the roundabouts in Gros Ilets! Ha!

Nope, easy to get the license. We will do that Monday AM.

Anybody else?

On Wed, Nov 21, 2012 at 10:52 AM, <ka9p@...> wrote:

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> Guy - I should volunteer, I do it in the Caymans some, and assuming its
> the same relaxed pace I'd be fine. Is it a quick matter to pay for the
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> we could just squeeze all 8 of us in - spam in a can).
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> help? We don't go to town often (only 4 or 5 miles from the Villa) but I
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151. OH2BH Article in NCDXF newsletter

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-21 18:30:35 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 151 Message: 151

I uploaded a file to
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/
<http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4/files/> where
Martti Laine discusses the need for DXpeditions to provide a training
initiative for "newbies" that helps them learn procedures for managing a
pileup without having the "tomatoes" thrown at them!
This is precisely what we are trying to do with the BP mini-DXpeditions
where we can create a relatively non-threatening environment where you
can get you feet wet, experience "the wall", and learn how to manage
successfully that environment without getting "killed".
This is an copyrighted newsletter so please don't forward this article
on. But I thought the article was target on and consequently wanted to
share it with you.
Let's discuss if you have questions. Guy

152. roof top work

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-23 15:00:55 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 152 Message: 152

I know now why Budd was concerned about clamoring around on the rooftop at the villa in St. Lucia. I have posted a picture taken two years ago and it shows Budd and Guy on the roof doing some antenna repairs. By the way, Guy is saying "See Budd--I told you the PL-259 was loose!" It's in the Photos section under "St. Lucia #4"..
See you all very soon!!
Bryan WB8ISG

153. Fwd: Prepared Meals: Schedule

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-23 17:34:03 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 153 Message: 153

Fyi. Basically our arrival process in St Lucia will be:

1) Depart aircraft and walk into Customs receiving area where we will queue up for passport inspection.
2) Then we walk to the next holding area and retrieve our luggage.
3) Then we queue up again for the actual Customs Inspector. Important: When asked the "purpose of your visit to St Lucia" you should reply "Vacation". If you say "I'm here for a radio DXpedition" you will be confronted with confusion and they will pull you aside for a more lengthy interrogation mostly because the Customs folks have no idea what a "radio DXpedition" is.
4) In the previous 4 trips, we have NEVER been inspected or questioned by the incoming customs agents if you answer their question with "I'm on vacation." If you show them your Customs Form you will also be pulled aside as they will be confused.
5) After getting your passport stamped, pull your luggage out to the "arrivals" area. We should all be together at that point. We have a limo driver (David with a Chateau Devaux sign) that will be meeting us.
6) Load luggage/people in limo and begin the 2 hr drive north to the Villa in Cap Estates.

I have one of our catered dinners planned for Sunday night. Two of the rooms have king beds which we will need to double up on. Budd and I will take one of them. The other rooms have two double beds. All rooms have air conditioning which is nice for the night.

Depending on the excitement level, the wind, and the actual time we arrive at the villa, we might try to put up a 20m dipole antenna...maybe.

Let the fun begin! Guy

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: <chateaudevaux@...>
Date: Fri, Nov 23, 2012 at 12:14 PM
Subject: Re: Prepared Meals: Schedule
To: Guy Hamblen <n7un.guy@...>

**
Ok. You will probably meet up in the customs lounge area.

I am not sure if you met David last year. He is a friend of Russel's (our original taxi driver). Russel has gone to south africa to study caribbean and african history. David is very good but we do miss our Russel.

David will hold up a chateau devaux sign so you will spot him.

Weather has been spectacular. Hopefully will give you some great
communication success when you are here.

have a great day
Warm regards
Maran

Sent from my BlackBerry® wireless device from LIME.
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*From: * Guy <n7un.guy@...>
*Date: *Fri, 23 Nov 2012 12:03:51 -0500
*To: *<chateaudevaux@...>
*Subject: *Re: Prepared Meals: Schedule

Maran,

We should all be together or nearly so. I've got one guy (Robert Fanfort)
coming in 20 mins (Delta) before our AA flight from Miami.
I assume David/Taxi guy will have a sign or someway we can recognize him?

Thanks, Guy

On Fri, Nov 23, 2012 at 11:30 AM, <chateaudevaux@...> wrote:

> **
> Hi Guy
>
> Sounds good. See you on the 2nd.
>
> Richard sent the fed ex package with all the licenses.
> Tracking # 8736 5450 0328
>
> Does everyone arrive on the same flight? Just want to ensure david (the
> taxi guy) has all the correct details.
> Have a great day
> Warm regards
> Maran
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>
> Sent from my BlackBerry® wireless device from LIME.
> ---
> *From: * Guy <n7un.guy@...>
> *Date: *Wed, 21 Nov 2012 09:30:19 -0500
> *To: *Andrea Devaux<chateaudevaux@gmail.com>; Richard Devaux<
> devauxr@...>
> *Subject: *Prepared Meals: Schedule
>
> Andrea,
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> We would like to request prepared dinner meals for 8 persons similar to
> what we have had on previous trips. The dates are as follows:
>
> Sunday/Dec 2

> Tuesday/Dec 4
> Thursday/Dec 6
> Sunday/Dec 9
>
> The menu request for each dinner will be the same as in previous trips.
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> Thanks in advance, Guy
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> Guy/N7UN
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154. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] roof top work

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-23 21:01:47 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 152 Message: 154

Bryan, I'll be on the roof, of course. Some of the younger guys will jump into the fray. The view is incredible up there. And the access is via Guy's bedroom, which is the only bedroom up on a second story.

10 Meters might just be outstanding this year. We'll have a Yagi set up for that band from the first day methinks. It will be on the roof.

We usually don't operate the first night in the villa, but if someone wants to help me, we could put up a VersaTee Vertical for 40 Meters just to check out propagation.

Wait until you see this setting. We are on a huge bluff. We can take turns using the Gazebo. One of the neatest places is the building adjacent to the pool. At the villa itself, if you are a 30 Meter guy and like to work CW for long hours, we can put you in what we call "The Admiral's Dungeon". Very private. A cave.
That's why Wey is so productive. If you hear someone say "I never left the villa", it's a whisper of K8EAB's many visits to Chateau Devaux.....

The outside deck is marvelous. Three stations can set up right away, and the views and comfort features are very hard to duplicate anywhere.

Glad others are gg to help Guy drive. I've done it, but my 72 year old mind and reactions are not quick enough for the decisions that are to be made on the round-abouts. I've been with Guy. Round and round and round and round.....

Guy called me today to remind me to bring the 40 and 80 Meter filters. They are in the suitcase. Other stuff is now in there too.

Remember these things: Your medications if you have any. Your PASSPORT. Your celphone.

Oh, GUYMASTER, can you add a place where we can put celphone numbers on the list of ops for this trip? While we are in the US, there might be times for us to try to hook up on the way to and from Miami.

Budd

On Fri, Nov 23, 2012 at 7:00 AM, Bryan <cystokid@...> wrote:

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> I know now why Budd was concerned about clamoring around on the rooftop at
> the villa in St. Lucia. I have posted a picture taken two years ago and it
> shows Budd and Guy on the roof doing some antenna repairs. By the way, Guy

> is saying "See Budd--I told you the PL-259 was loose!" It's in the Photos
> section under "St. Lucia #4"..
> See you all very soon!!
> Bryan WB8ISG
>
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>

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Have fun every day.....

155. Meeting with J6 Ham club on Wed

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-24 00:38:57 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 155 Message: 155

Our good St Lucia ham friend, Tot/J69MV, has invited our team to a "meet and greet" with the newly reorganized J6 ham club on Wednesday evening. On our last trip we also met Francis/J66CA who is a local chef. Francis, at that time, said he would cook for us one afternoon for a bbq get-to-gether at the Villa.

So we are planning some social events with the local hams who are mostly VHFers but have visited our team and are impressed with the portability of the BP antennas and the "fun" you can have on HF.

Part of our DXpedition goals is to reach out to the locals and encourage/support them as possible. Tot will visit us on Monday and we will then get more detailed information. It might be fun to take a BP and a KX3 and set it up at their meeting place and see if we can make some contacts!

73, Guy

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

156. Names, Callsigns, Cell numbers

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-25 14:44:23 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 156 Message: 156

Guys,

Here's a who's who listing for our upcoming trip. Be aware that your US-based cellphone will NOT work in St Lucia unless you have a GSM SIM card and have enabled that functionality with your ATT carrier. You can rent a local SIM card or phone locally if you want.

Other than for novelty, we have yet to have a need for a cellphone in St Lucia, mostly because we are generally only minutes away from the Villa. There is 2m coverage on the highest locations using a FM repeater but we never seem to use it. Same with 2m simplex...just too many hills in the way.

1. Ev Curry W6ABM 503.522.7142
2. Rob Fanfant N7QT 435.681.7784
3. Budd Drummond W3FF 541.991.7157
4. Guy Hamblen N7UN 973.800.8725
5. Hugh Morgon W4VAB 865.604.0227
6. Bryan Shumaker 248.762.0568
7. Jerry Long W5TDY 770.710.5319
8. Scott McDonald KA9P pending

"Stage" your setup for your radio, laptop, power supply, connecting cables. Make sure the system is working. Change the time zone on your laptop/logging program to make sure the UTC time is correct. St Lucia is in the Atlantic time zone, -4 hrs UTC. Nothing worse than logging the wrong time for a QSO.

If there are any questions, let's discuss.

Guy
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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

157. Re: Names, Callsigns, Cell numbers

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-25 14:47:37 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 156 Message: 157

Also, the local number for Richard and Maran Devaux is 758.450.0962 and their local address is 1 Man of War Drive, Cap Estates, Gros Islet.

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., Guy <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
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> US-based cellphone will NOT work in St Lucia unless you have a GSM SIM card
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> in the Atlantic time zone, -4 hrs UTC. Nothing worse than logging the
> wrong time for a QSO.
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> If there are any questions, let's discuss.
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> Guy
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> Guy/N7UN
> http://www.n7un.com
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158. Google aerial shots of the Chateau

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-25 17:14:51 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 158 Message: 158

...Boy, what a view, even from high in the sky! Check out two shots taken from Google of the Chateau Devaux in the Photos section...
Bryan

159. Testing

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-26 02:57:15 UTC
From: scott
Topic: 159 Message: 159

Sent from my iPad

160. Cell for ka9p

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-26 03:30:25 UTC
From: scott
Topic: 160 Message: 160

Is 3129529996 and is GSM ready. For some reason my direct posts are making the reflector but responses aren't at the moment......73. Scott

Sent from my iPad

161. Walk-through Video of the Villa

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-26 12:40:13 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 161 Message: 161

Here's a good overview video by Steve/wG0AT made during our first visit in 2009.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nkoR-RVGBHY
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nkoR-RVGBHY>
In talking to Richard recently, there has been some remodeling done but I'm not sure what changes have been made. We will see....
Guy

162. Re: Google aerial shots of the Chateau

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-26 12:44:16 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 158 Message: 162

Yes, our hosts, Richard and Maran Devaux, have their current home to the right. The Villa was their first custom home (designed by Maran) with architecture (open beam) unique to St Lucia. Both Richard and Maran come from "old families" on the islands.

Guy

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, "Bryan" <cystokid@...> wrote:
>
> ...Boy, what a view, even from high in the sky! Check out two shots taken from Google of the Chateau Devaux in the Photos section...
> Bryan
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163. Received Licenses....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-26 19:25:12 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 163 Message: 163

Just got our licenses via FedEx. Haven't reviewed them yet but we have one for each participant!

Rob, I will get yours off in the USPS mail this afternoon.

Guy

164. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Received Licenses....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-26 21:12:56 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 163 Message: 164

I have all my gear laying on the floor in the living room! Checking it each day to make sure I am not forgetting anything, AND is there anything I can do without. :-)

On Nov 26, 2012, at 2:25 PM, "Guy" <n7un.guy@...> wrote:

> Just got our licenses via FedEx. Haven't reviewed them yet but we have one for each participant!
>
> Rob, I will get yours off in the USPS mail this afternoon.
>
> Guy
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165. Re: Cell for ka9p

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-27 00:09:51 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 160 Message: 165

As of today, my cell is also GSM operational. However Verizon gets
$1.99 a minute for voice, $0.50 each for texts.

Everett

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., scott <ka9p@...> wrote:
>
> Is 3129529996 and is GSM ready. For some reason my direct posts are making the reflector but responses aren't at the moment......73. Scott
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> Sent from my iPad
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166. Skype works great from the villa

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-27 00:53:08 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 160 Message: 166

The wireless setup is excellent, all the way out to the gazebo which overlooks the Ocean. Many guys Skype home daily via laptops. I have not tried Zoom.us from there, but it should be fine.

If Ten Meters holds up, that will be a great band for us.

For skeds to the USA West Coast, consider 17 Meters. Daily, right now, at Noon from the Caribbean, it would be 8AM on the Left Coast. My buddy, Les, W8YCM, is on from Jamaica, as I have mentioned, on 18157.5 KHZ daily, at that time. that would be 11AM on St Lucia.

Folks from the East Coast will have a pipeline home on several bands. You will have a great time working your buddies.

Budd

Have fun every day !

On Nov 26, 2012, at 4:09 PM, "evcurry" <arsw6abm@...> wrote:

> As of today, my cell is also GSM operational. However Verizon gets
> $1.99 a minute for voice, $0.50 each for texts.
>
> Everett
>
> --- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., scott <ka9p@...> wrote:
> >
> > Is 3129529996 and is GSM ready. For some reason my direct posts are making the reflector but responses aren't at the moment......73. Scott
> >
> > Sent from my iPad
> >
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167. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Received Licenses....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-27 01:43:01 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 163 Message: 167

Thanks a million Guy! I'll let you know when I receive it. -rob
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
From: n7un.guy@...
Date: Mon, 26 Nov 2012 19:25:12 +0000
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Received Licenses....

Just got our licenses via FedEx. Haven't reviewed them yet but we have one for each participant!

Rob, I will get yours off in the USPS mail this afternoon.

Guy

168. Fwd: Error in NTRC Amateur Radio License for Guy Hamblen

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 13:45:38 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 168 Message: 168

My license was screwed up but was able to get a "fix" in place. Note Richard's statement about the weather!

See everyone soon. Guy

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Richard Devaux <devauxr@...>
Date: Wed, Nov 28, 2012 at 8:40 AM
Subject: RE: Error in NTRC Amateur Radio License for Guy Hamblen
To: Guy <n7un.guy@...>

Hi Guy****

** **

Yes, Mr St Clair called me. He spoke to Mr Antoine at the ministry and it should all be ok.****

Mr Antoine is very helpful so I am sure he will sort out right away. Says to bring in the original license and he will have the minister sign a new letter and remove the page with the old license and attach the new one to your main license.****

** **

Life in the tropics. Its how it flows. You kind of get used to the system. What is important is making friends and having relationships with people in all the different locations so you can always get help. If not things drag and take weeks or months.****

** **

You will be able to thaw out in a few days. The weather has been spectacular for the last several weeks. Martinique is soooo clear it looks like you could throw a stone and land on a house over there. Hope you will get some of this clarity and maybe might make your communication contacts even better.****

** **

See you soon. ****

** **

Best regards****

Richard****

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From: Guy [mailto:n7un.guy@...]
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 9:35 AM
To: Alden St. Clair
Cc: Richard Devaux
Subject: Re: Error in NTRC Amateur Radio License for Guy Hamblen****

** **

Thank you Mr St Clair. I will arrange a time to visit in conjunction with Mr. Devaux. Looking forward to our visit to lovely, WARM St Lucia. At my location, it is currently 28f and we received 6 inches of snow overnight!*** *

** **

Regards, Guy Hamblen****

On Wed, Nov 28, 2012 at 8:09 AM, Alden St. Clair <astclair@...> wrote:
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Dear Mr. Hamblen,****

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Sorry for the inconvenience. I have spoken to Mr. Antoine (officer with the Ministry responsible for telecommunications), who instructed that the license should be brought to him and he will rectify the error. I also had a chat with Mr. Devaux who will assist you in this regard.****

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Once again apologies and hope you enjoy your stay when you arrive.****

****

Regards****

****

*Alden St Clair*****

*Senior Technical Officer*****

*National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission*****

*Bois D'Orange,*****

*Rajana Group of Companies Building*****

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*Fax no.:758-453-2558*****

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*Email: ntrc_slu@...*****

*website: www.ntrc.org.lc*****

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From: Guy [mailto:n7un.guy@...]
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2012 4:00 PM****

To: astclair@...
Cc: ntrc_slu@...; Richard Devaux****

Subject: Error in NTRC Amateur Radio License for Guy Hamblen****

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Dear Mr St Clair,****

****

I received today our package of 8 NTRC Amateur Radio Licenses from Mr. Richard Devaux for our upcoming trip beginning Dec 2, 2012. In review of the licenses, there is an error for Mr. Guy A Hamblen who was issued license callsign of J6/N7UN. The license application was for a renewal of his existing J68UN license and not a new application.****

****

Please advise the process to correct this to an Amateur Radio License of J68UN for Mr Hamblen, not the J6/N7UN that was issued.****

****

Thank you in advance, ****

****

Guy A. Hamblen
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169. Last minute details.....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 15:15:03 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 169 Message: 169

Ok. Here's some hints, checks, and things to consider in the last minutes before we are off for adventure!

1) You have made several photocopies of your passport face page and have them in separate pieces of luggage. If you lose your passport, this will help you at the American Consulate to get a replacement.

2) You have all your meds, cards, etc. Pack your meds "deep" in your carry on luggage. Not visibly on top. Do not pack them them in checked luggage which might get delayed. Ask Tom/K2GSJ.

3) You have your J6 license/Customs Form with your carry-on luggage. Likewise for your FCC license. I also pack a copy of my FCC license in my checked bag...on top of everything so it's the first thing seen by an inspector.

4) You have any lithium-containing batteries in your carry-on. You are prepared to put them in the TSA container for inspection, mfg's label up. This is a TSA requirement. If found in your checked baggage, they might get confiscated. TSA doesn't like batteries.

5) You are prepared to have your batteries and radios "scratch and sniffed" by TSA. Most TSA folks know about ham radio operators so always be friendly! They are just trying to do their job. When asked about my batteries, I tell them it is for my laptop, cameras, and radios in that order.

6) You have "staged" your various radio setups with your logging laptop and all interconnecting cables. Likewise for your /p "system" if you plan to operate /p. Replacement "ham stuff" is almost impossible to get on St Lucia. You have changed the time on your laptop and confirmed a "test qso" that your logging program records the correct UTC time. Ask me how I know about this!

7) Your suitcases have been packed and weighed. Heavy aren't they!

8) Elec power is 220v at the Villa. Your power supplies are 220v capable. If it has a 110/220v switch, you have taped it in the 220v position. Anything 110v smokes very quickly. Ask Budd.

9) 2m FM is very marginal because of the mountains/hills. I don't take a 2m radio. But there is a good 2m repeater on Martinique (line of sight from the Villa) that is popular.

10) I carry about $300 in USD. Credit cards are readily accepted in the major dept and grocery stores. The local rum is outstanding. Ask K8EAB about his "jet fuel".

11) You have packed a minimum amount of clothes. Mostly underware, t-shirts, and shorts. There are laundry facilities at the Villa. It almost never gets below 70f or above 90f. You have a sun hat, a long sleeve shirt and long lightweight pants for sun protection if you plan to be /p. You packed some bug spray because the no-seeums feed in the early evening outside. Ask Budd.

12) You have packed extra coax, BP antennas, and tripods. If you have big bandpass filters, you have packed them.

13) You have printed out the "BP DXpedition" set of slides. We will have a team meeting first thing Mon AM to go over this info.

Can't think of anything more...if I've forgotten something please add to this list.

Oh yeah, 14) Be prepared to have a lot of fun! St Lucia is just plain wonderful! And you won't believe the Villa location...you are literally on a 300 ft tower overlooking the Atlantic Ocean to the north!

See you in Miami! Guy

170. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Last minute details.....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 15:57:29 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 169 Message: 170

K8EAB here ... Guy is correct about "the local Rum" <g> ...

My advice on carrying currency ... what ever amount you decide to carry, take no larger bills than $20/US ... dollars are acceptable everywhere, but your change will be in EC dollars ... this currency is WORTHLESS in the USA and changing it back to dollars prior to departure is a money-losing proposition ...

If you do find yourself with a supply of EC dollars at the airport, they are
best put to use buying beer at the airport bar. Ask Guy about this <g> ...

Have fun, Fellows! You will be telling your Ham Buddies about this trip for years to come!

Very 73, Wey - K8EAB

On 11/28/2012 10:15 AM, Guy wrote:
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> Ok. Here's some hints, checks, and things to consider in the last
> minutes before we are off for adventure!
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> 10) I carry about $300 in USD. Credit cards are readily accepted in
> the major dept and grocery stores. The local rum is outstanding. Ask
> K8EAB about his "jet fuel".
>

171. Re: Last minute details.....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 17:11:51 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 169 Message: 171

One additional hint:

You have marked "common" items (like coax, BP antenna parts, etc) with your callsign. I use the Sharpie oil-based pens because the mark lasts and doesn't easily ruboff.

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, "Guy" <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
>
> Ok. Here's some hints, checks, and things to consider in the last minutes before we are off for adventure!
>

172. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: Last minute details.....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 18:14:28 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 169 Message: 172

I have printed out a sheet of mini W3FF labels. 80 to a sheet. White with blue ink. That ink comes off in water, but
the label still shows a faint ID. 80% of my parts have these labels on them from a trip to Montserrat earlier this year. I put one on each battery, power supply, accessory arm, etc. Only tiny parts like adaptors are not marked with these mini labels.

On Wed, Nov 28, 2012 at 9:11 AM, Guy <n7un.guy@...> wrote:

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> One additional hint:
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> You have marked "common" items (like coax, BP antenna parts, etc) with
> your callsign. I use the Sharpie oil-based pens because the mark lasts and
> doesn't easily ruboff.
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> --- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., "Guy" <n7un.guy@...> wrote:
> >
> > Ok. Here's some hints, checks, and things to consider in the last
> minutes before we are off for adventure!
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Have fun every day.....

173. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Received Licenses....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 20:39:03 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 163 Message: 173

Thanks Guy, I got it in the mail today! -rob
From: rfanfant@...
To: caribbeanbuddiessl-4@...
Subject: RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Received Licenses....
Date: Mon, 26 Nov 2012 17:43:01 -0800

Thanks a million Guy! I'll let you know when I receive it.

-rob

To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
From: n7un.guy@...
Date: Mon, 26 Nov 2012 19:25:12 +0000
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Received Licenses....

Just got our licenses via FedEx. Haven't reviewed them yet but we have one for each participant!

Rob, I will get yours off in the USPS mail this afternoon.

Guy

174. Saturday night in Miami

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 21:12:06 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 174 Message: 174

I'm arriving in Miami around 5 pm on Saturday and have a reservation at the Sheraton Miami Airport Hotel (sorry I couldn't get a reservation at the Element Miami but it was already full when I learned that some of you will be there).

If those of you who will be in Miami would like to get together for dinner give me a call on my cell phone (865) 604-0227.

Hugh, W4VAB

175. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Saturday night in Miami

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 21:19:50 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 174 Message: 175

Sounds good, Hugh. I won't be in until 7:30 IF the AA flights are on
time, and it will take a good hour to get from baggage claim to the hotel
via shuttle.

Is anyone else coming into Miami about the same time?

Budd

On Wed, Nov 28, 2012 at 1:12 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

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>
> I'm arriving in Miami around 5 pm on Saturday and have a reservation at
> the Sheraton Miami Airport Hotel (sorry I couldn't get a reservation at the
> Element Miami but it was already full when I learned that some of you will
> be there).
>
> If those of you who will be in Miami would like to get together for dinner
> give me a call on my cell phone (865) 604-0227.
>
> Hugh, W4VAB
>
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>

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Have fun every day.....

176. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Saturday night in Miami

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-28 21:40:20 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 174 Message: 176

Budd--I'm getting in around 9:30pm, so maybe I can meet up with everyone at that time....
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From: Budd Drummond
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 4:19 PM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Saturday night in Miami

Sounds good, Hugh. I won't be in until 7:30 IF the AA flights are on time, and it will take a good hour to get from baggage claim to the hotel via shuttle.

Is anyone else coming into Miami about the same time?

Budd

On Wed, Nov 28, 2012 at 1:12 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@comcast.net> wrote:

I'm arriving in Miami around 5 pm on Saturday and have a reservation at the Sheraton Miami Airport Hotel (sorry I couldn't get a reservation at the Element Miami but it was already full when I learned that some of you will be there).

If those of you who will be in Miami would like to get together for dinner give me a call on my cell phone (865) 604-0227.

Hugh, W4VAB

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Have fun every day.....

177. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Saturday night in Miami

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-29 04:40:36 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 174 Message: 177

We will be around the hotel. It would be 6:30 PM on the Left Coast.

Budd

Have fun every day !

On Nov 28, 2012, at 1:40 PM, "Bryan Shumaker" <cystokid@...> wrote:

> Budd--I'm getting in around 9:30pm, so maybe I can meet up with everyone at that time....
> Bryan
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Budd Drummond
> To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
> Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 4:19 PM
> Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Saturday night in Miami
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>
> Sounds good, Hugh. I won't be in until 7:30 IF the AA flights are on time, and it will take a good hour to get from baggage claim to the hotel via shuttle.
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> Is anyone else coming into Miami about the same time?
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> Budd
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> On Wed, Nov 28, 2012 at 1:12 PM, w4vab <hwmorgan@...> wrote:
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>> I'm arriving in Miami around 5 pm on Saturday and have a reservation at the Sheraton Miami Airport Hotel (sorry I couldn't get a reservation at the Element Miami but it was already full when I learned that some of you will be there).
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>> If those of you who will be in Miami would like to get together for dinner give me a call on my cell phone (865) 604-0227.
>>
>> Hugh, W4VAB
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> --
> Have fun every day.....
>

178. For Rob: The App we talked about

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-29 04:48:22 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 178 Message: 178

Rob

The app we talked about is Talkatone.

Everett W6ABM

179. Tool Stuff??

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-30 20:53:33 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 179 Message: 179

Guy, Budd, et al,

I probably missed this somewhere, but are there the usual assortment of ham stuff kicking around the Villa, or do we need to bring VOM, Duck tape, dikes, pliers, soldering iron, hammer for ground stakes, more duck tape, etc?

Just making the last minute packing decisions :)

Thanks, Scott

180. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Tool Stuff??

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-30 21:05:23 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 179 Message: 180

I've packed soldering iron, etc. includ. VOM. Have some nylon line for antenna attachments, as well.
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From: ka9p@...
To: caribbeanbuddiessl-4@...
Sent: Friday, November 30, 2012 3:53 PM
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Tool Stuff??

Guy, Budd, et al,

I probably missed this somewhere, but are there the usual assortment of ham stuff kicking around the Villa, or do we need to bring VOM, Duck tape, dikes, pliers, soldering iron, hammer for ground stakes, more duck tape, etc?

Just making the last minute packing decisions :)

Thanks, Scott

181. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Tool Stuff??

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-11-30 21:10:51 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 179 Message: 181

We don't have a VOM at the Villa but do have a 220v soldering iron! No wire cutters either. Never had a need for a hammer yet.....our host and neighbor usually has any tools we need like a drill. Bring your VOM and some duck tape. Actually gaffers tape is better because it is easier to undo. Guy

On Fri, Nov 30, 2012 at 3:53 PM, <ka9p@...> wrote:

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> Guy, Budd, et al,
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> I probably missed this somewhere, but are there the usual assortment of
> ham stuff kicking around the Villa, or do we need to bring VOM, Duck tape,
> dikes, pliers, soldering iron, hammer for ground stakes, more duck tape,
> etc?
>
> Just making the last minute packing decisions :)
>
> Thanks, Scott
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>

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

182. Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 19:47:02 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 182 Message: 182

Dressed and undressed for TSA. They were more interested in my Bi-Pap. Miami. At 12:25 am est.

They checked my suitcase to St Lucia.

Looking forward to St. Lucia.

Everett

183. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 19:50:37 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 182 Message: 183

Good deal Ev. Got a text msg from Budd who is on time now in Dallas. So expect him in MIA on time.

See everyone tomorrow AM in MIA. I depart Newark at 6 am which means a 3 am wakeup call. Can't wait to have some more fun!

Guy

On Sat, Dec 1, 2012 at 2:47 PM, evcurry <arsw6abm@...> wrote:

> **
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>
> Dressed and undressed for TSA. They were more interested in my Bi-Pap.
> Miami. At 12:25 am est.
>
> They checked my suitcase to St Lucia.
>
> Looking forward to St. Lucia.
>
> Everett
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>

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

184. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 20:10:50 UTC
From: Budd
Topic: 182 Message: 184

Ev, good show. I am in DFW. Leave in an hour
For Miami.

On time.

Budd

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 1, 2012, at 1:47 PM, "evcurry" <arsw6abm@gmail.com> wrote:

> Dressed and undressed for TSA. They were more interested in my Bi-Pap. Miami. At 12:25 am est.
>
> They checked my suitcase to St Lucia.
>
> Looking forward to St. Lucia.
>
> Everett
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185. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 20:25:42 UTC
From: Jerry W Long
Topic: 182 Message: 185

Safe travels to All. I am on the ground in Miami, just getting off the plane now. See you guys in the morning!

Jerry

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 1, 2012, at 3:10 PM, Budd <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:

> Ev, good show. I am in DFW. Leave in an hour
> For Miami.
>
> On time.
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> Budd
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> Sent from my iPhone
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> On Dec 1, 2012, at 1:47 PM, "evcurry" <arsw6abm@gmail.com> wrote:
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>> They checked my suitcase to St Lucia.
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>> Looking forward to St. Lucia.
>>
>> Everett
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186. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 20:37:28 UTC
From: Budd
Topic: 182 Message: 186

Jerry, where are you staying in Mia?

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 1, 2012, at 2:25 PM, Jerry W Long <jlongtexas@...> wrote:

> Safe travels to All. I am on the ground in Miami, just getting off the plane now. See you guys in the morning!
>
> Jerry
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Dec 1, 2012, at 3:10 PM, Budd <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:
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>> Ev, good show. I am in DFW. Leave in an hour
>> For Miami.
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>> On time.
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>> Budd
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>> Sent from my iPhone
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>> On Dec 1, 2012, at 1:47 PM, "evcurry" <arsw6abm@...> wrote:
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>>> Dressed and undressed for TSA. They were more interested in my Bi-Pap. Miami. At 12:25 am est.
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>>> They checked my suitcase to St Lucia.
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>>> Looking forward to St. Lucia.
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>>> Everett
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187. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 21:44:23 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 182 Message: 187

I am at the Hilton Miami Airport. In the room now. Nothing like planning ahead and using Hotel Points. :-)

Sent from my Mobile device

On Dec 1, 2012, at 3:37 PM, Budd <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:

> Jerry, where are you staying in Mia?
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> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Dec 1, 2012, at 2:25 PM, Jerry W Long <jlongtexas@...> wrote:
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>> Safe travels to All. I am on the ground in Miami, just getting off the plane now. See you guys in the morning!
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>> Jerry
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>> Sent from my iPhone
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>> On Dec 1, 2012, at 3:10 PM, Budd <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:
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>>> For Miami.
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>>>> Dressed and undressed for TSA. They were more interested in my Bi-Pap. Miami. At 12:25 am est.
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>>>> They checked my suitcase to St Lucia.
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>>>> Looking forward to St. Lucia.
>>>>
>>>> Everett
>
>

188. Re: Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 23:10:17 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 182 Message: 188

I am in my room at the Sheraton Miami Hotel.

Anyone want to meet for supper (or is it dinner)?

Hugh, W4VAB

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, Jerry Long <jlongtexas@...> wrote:
>
> I am at the Hilton Miami Airport. In the room now. Nothing like planning ahead and using Hotel Points. :-)
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> Sent from my Mobile device
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> >>>> Everett
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189. Saint Lucia - Ten day weather forecast...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-01 23:23:20 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 189 Message: 189

Forecast shows like a lot of rain ahead...Hope their wrong. http://www.bing.com/weather/forecast?q=weather+saint+lucia&unit=F&FORM=DTPWEO&qpvt=weather+saint+lucia -rob

190. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Saint Lucia - Ten day weather forecast...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-02 00:12:09 UTC
From: Jerry W Long
Topic: 189 Message: 190

If it ain't raining, we ain't training. Oops flashback.

My concern right now is the Georgia / Alabama game. 25 to 21 Alabama leading.

Come on Georgia!!!

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 1, 2012, at 6:23 PM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:

> Forecast shows like a lot of rain ahead...Hope their wrong.
>
> http://www.bing.com/weather/forecast?q=weather+saint+lucia&unit=F&FORM=DTPWEO&qpvt=weather+saint+lucia
>
> -rob
>

191. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Saint Lucia - Ten day weather forecast...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-02 00:23:02 UTC
From: N7un.guy
Topic: 189 Message: 191

Great game and match up. They both deserve to win but I'm rooting for GA,

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 1, 2012, at 7:12 PM, Jerry W Long <jlongtexas@comcast.net> wrote:

> If it ain't raining, we ain't training. Oops flashback.
>
> My concern right now is the Georgia / Alabama game. 25 to 21 Alabama leading.
>
> Come on Georgia!!!
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Dec 1, 2012, at 6:23 PM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:
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>> Forecast shows like a lot of rain ahead...Hope their wrong.
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>> http://www.bing.com/weather/forecast?q=weather+saint+lucia&unit=F&FORM=DTPWEO&qpvt=weather+saint+lucia
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>> -rob
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>

192. Breakfast in Element Hotel Sat AM 7 o'clock, Hugh and the Doc, Ev and Budd

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-02 04:40:57 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 192 Message: 192

it was too late to get dinner here, so let us meet here for breakfast in the hotel and then shuttle to the Airport together. Too late for me to call Hugh tonight. Bryan stopped by my room tonight, and we had a nice chat.

BD

Have fun every day !

193. See you all in saint Lucia

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-02 12:38:10 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 193 Message: 193

At my gate and I board in 30 minutes. Flying direct from JFK. Safe flight everyone!

Sent from my Windows Phone

194. Enroute

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-03 02:32:01 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 182 Message: 194

Dressed and undressed for TSA. They were more interested in my Bi-Pap. Miami. At 12:25 am est.

They checked my suitcase to St Lucia.

Looking forward to St. Lucia.

Everett

195. The BUDDIPOLE Newsletter

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-08 03:03:29 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 195 Message: 195

I am posting the BUDDIPOLE Newsletter to the CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4 Files site.

Everett W6ABM

196. Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-11 12:17:11 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 196 Message: 196

Please verify these QSO count are correct. Everett: 410Jerry: 815Rob: 5107Bud: 450Bryan: 210Guy: 1500Hugh: 1500Scott: 1655

197. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-11 13:19:20 UTC
From: scott
Topic: 196 Message: 197

Mine's right, thanks to everybody for their help and patience.

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 11, 2012, at 12:17 PM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:

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> Please verify these QSO count are correct.
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>
> Everett: 410
> Jerry: 815
> Rob: 5107
> Bud: 450
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> Scott: 1655
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198. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-11 13:21:34 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 196 Message: 198

Correct for Jerry.

Thanks.....

Sent from my Mobile device

On Dec 11, 2012, at 7:17 AM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:

> Please verify these QSO count are correct.
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> Everett: 410
> Jerry: 815
> Rob: 5107
> Bud: 450
> Bryan: 210
> Guy: 1500
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> Scott: 1655
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199. Thanks to all for a great trip!

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-13 14:25:35 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 199 Message: 199

I trust by now folks are home and falling into your non-DX mode of daily contacts!

I want to thank each of you for participating in our 4th J6 Caribbean trip. I was amazed at the talent, both professionally and as hams, that each of you brought to our team. Certainly it was an honor for Budd and myself to host this group and we both hope that your participation was memorable and exciting.

And thanks for helping out with our local involvement with the J6 folks. Our outreach involvement to infuse excitement and energy in the local J6 hams is starting to result in some positive change in direction for the local hams! We will continue to support them as they move forward with their club activities.

Over the next few days, I will finalize the remaining amounts owed by each of you. And depending upon what great photos Rob/N7QT comes up from his photo efforts this week, I'll order QSL cards. It will probably take about 8 weeks until I receive cards from the printer.

If anyone has any questions, please let me know.

Thanks again for the wonderful trip! Regards, Guy/J68UN/N7UN

200. Thanks from Junior/J69EN

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-13 14:55:10 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 200 Message: 200

I received this email from Junior:

Hello Guy

Thank you for the eye contact. It was nice being with you guys I did enjoy the short stay. On behalf of SLARC I would like to thank the team for joying us at our club's end of year activity.

Junior J69EN
Acting Club secretary

201. Source for ferrite beads....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-13 17:34:10 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 201 Message: 201

For RG8X: http://www.hamcq.com/coax-connectors-tools-ferrite-beads/ferrite-beads-kits/ferrite-bead-snap-on-for-rg8x-lmr240/prod_818.html

Beads are $3 each but well worth it to minimize RFI on cables. I use this size for my computer, audio, and other lines, esp. for any lines running to a laptop USB connector. USB ports are very susceptible to RF and will shut down which then screws up a logging program.

For your next trip....

Guy

202. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-14 16:46:54 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 196 Message: 202

Mine is correct.

Everett

On Tue, Dec 11, 2012 at 5:21 AM, Jerry Long <jlongtexas@...> wrote:

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> Correct for Jerry.
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> Thanks.....
>
> Sent from my Mobile device
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> On Dec 11, 2012, at 7:17 AM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:
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> Please verify these QSO count are correct.
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> Everett: 410
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203. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-14 16:59:37 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 196 Message: 203

.....and mine is correct as well!
Bryan WB8ISG

----- Original Message -----
From: arsw6abm
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Friday, December 14, 2012 11:46 AM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Mine is correct.

Everett

On Tue, Dec 11, 2012 at 5:21 AM, Jerry Long <jlongtexas@...> wrote:

Correct for Jerry.

Thanks.....

Sent from my Mobile device

On Dec 11, 2012, at 7:17 AM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:

Please verify these QSO count are correct.

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Scott: 1655

204. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-14 18:14:43 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 196 Message: 204

Mine is correct.

On Tue, Dec 11, 2012 at 4:17 AM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...>wrote:

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> Please verify these QSO count are correct.
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> Everett: 410
> Jerry: 815
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Have fun every day...........

205. Re: Guy needs QSO counts from everyone

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-15 15:01:29 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 196 Message: 205

As you know my log for the last two days that I operated are missing but hopefully will be recovered. The 1500 estimate may be a couple of hundred high but it is a safe estimate.

Hugh W4VAB

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk, Budd Drummond <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:
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> Mine is correct.
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> Have fun every day.....
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206. St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-16 21:50:25 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 206 Message: 206

Does anyone have a list of the hams (and spouses) that we met in St. Lucia?

It would be nice to have names, call signs, and emails.

I have QSL cards from Dudley J69AN and Frans J69DS, and a business card from Ernest J69AZ, but no information on TOT, the tall fellow who is the hydrologist with whom I had such a nice conversation, the operator of Caribbean Harmony, the chef who bought an antenna from Budd, and the others.

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Hugh W4VAB

207. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-16 22:54:50 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 206 Message: 207

Hugh, Tot is J69MV.

Have fun every day !

On Dec 16, 2012, at 13:50, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

> Does anyone have a list of the hams (and spouses) that we met in St. Lucia?
>
> It would be nice to have names, call signs, and emails.
>
> I have QSL cards from Dudley J69AN and Frans J69DS, and a business card from Ernest J69AZ, but no information on TOT, the tall fellow who is the hydrologist with whom I had such a nice conversation, the operator of Caribbean Harmony, the chef who bought an antenna from Budd, and the others.
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> 73
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> Hugh W4VAB
>
>

208. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-16 23:07:10 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 206 Message: 208

...and the tall guy who is the hydrologist is Junior. Tot is the policeman....
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From: budd
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Sent: Sunday, December 16, 2012 5:54 PM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Hugh, Tot is J69MV.

Have fun every day !

On Dec 16, 2012, at 13:50, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:

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73

Hugh W4VAB

209. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-17 00:58:57 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 206 Message: 209

And the REALLY good looking guy was me of course! ;-) -rob
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
From: cystokid@charter.net
Date: Sun, 16 Dec 2012 18:07:10 -0500
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

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...and the tall guy who is the hydrologist is
Junior. Tot is the policeman....
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From:
budd
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk

Sent: Sunday, December 16, 2012 5:54
PM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St
Lucia amateurs

Hugh, Tot is J69MV.

Have fun every day !

On Dec 16, 2012, at 13:50, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@comcast.net>
wrote:

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Lucia?

It would be nice to have names, call signs, and
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operator of Caribbean Harmony, the chef who bought an antenna from Budd, and
the others.

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Hugh W4VAB

210. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-17 04:07:53 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 206 Message: 210

I was just uploading from my video camera, you may have some competition.....

but I was ROFLMAO at Budd's BY4 Flying Tiger rant in the van going home,I'll try to get it into the files section in the next few days.

Scott

In a message dated 12/16/2012 6:58:59 P.M. Central Standard Time, rfanfant@... writes:

And the REALLY good looking guy was me of course! ;-)

-rob

To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
From: cystokid@...
Date: Sun, 16 Dec 2012 18:07:10 -0500
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

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...and the tall guy who is the hydrologist is Junior. Tot is the policeman....
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From: _budd_ (mailto:w3ffbudd@...)
To: _CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk_ (mailto:CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...)
Sent: Sunday, December 16, 2012 5:54 PM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Hugh, Tot is J69MV.

Have fun every day !

On Dec 16, 2012, at 13:50, "w4vab" <_hwmorgan@..._ (mailto:hwmorgan@...t) > wrote:

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Hugh W4VAB

211. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-17 14:00:34 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 206 Message: 211

I too crackup every time I think about it!

Budd is hilarious!!!!!

Please post it if you can.

Jerry
On Dec 16, 2012, at 5:54 PM, budd <w3ffbudd@gmail.com> wrote:

>
> Hugh, Tot is J69MV.
>
> Have fun every day !
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> On Dec 16, 2012, at 13:50, "w4vab" <hwmorgan@...> wrote:
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>> Hugh W4VAB
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212. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-17 18:18:41 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 206 Message: 212

Scott, please keep it to our own list. I don't want anybody posting that
on YOUTUBE. It was
just for us.

Guys, please don't pass it on, even to your buddies.

Thanks

Budd

On Sun, Dec 16, 2012 at 8:07 PM, <ka9p@...> wrote:

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> **
> I was just uploading from my video camera, you may have some
> competition.....
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> but I was ROFLMAO at Budd's BY4 Flying Tiger rant in the van going
> home,I'll try to get it into the files section in the next few days.
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> Scott
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> In a message dated 12/16/2012 6:58:59 P.M. Central Standard Time,
> rfanfant@... writes:
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> And the REALLY good looking guy was me of course! ;-)
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> -rob
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> To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
> From: cystokid@...
> Date: Sun, 16 Dec 2012 18:07:10 -0500
> Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs
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>
> ...and the tall guy who is the hydrologist is Junior. Tot is the
> policeman....
> Bryan
>
>

> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* budd <w3ffbudd@...>
> *To:* CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
> *Sent:* Sunday, December 16, 2012 5:54 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs
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> Hugh, Tot is J69MV.
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> Have fun every day !
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> others.
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> Hugh W4VAB
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Have fun every day.....

213. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-17 18:23:25 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 206 Message: 213

....ah Rob F.--truly a legend in his own mind..!
Bryan

----- Original Message -----
From: Budd Drummond
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Sent: Monday, December 17, 2012 1:18 PM
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

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just for us.

Guys, please don't pass it on, even to your buddies.

Thanks

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Hugh W4VAB

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Have fun every day.....

214. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-17 22:59:24 UTC
From: Scott McDonald
Topic: 206 Message: 214

Ah Budd, you know I wouldn't really post a video without a release :)

If you want a copy I'll send you one, because it is a great reminder to have fun every day!

Scott

Make something good happen!

On Dec 17, 2012, at 10:18 AM, Budd Drummond <w3ffbudd@...> wrote:

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> Scott, please keep it to our own list. I don't want anybody posting that on YOUTUBE. It
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> just for us.
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> Thanks
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> Budd
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> Sent: Sunday, December 16, 2012 5:54 PM
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215. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] St Lucia amateurs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-18 03:16:55 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 206 Message: 215

Thanks, Scott.

My main concern is hurting someone's feelings.

Life is too short to do that.

Budd

Have fun every day !

On Dec 17, 2012, at 14:59, Scott McDonald <ka9p@...> wrote:

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> Scott
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>>> I have QSL cards from Dudley J69AN and Frans J69DS, and a business card from Ernest J69AZ, but no information on TOT, the tall fellow who is the hydrologist with whom I had such a nice conversation, the operator of Caribbean Harmony, the chef who bought an antenna from Budd, and the others.
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>>> Hugh W4VAB
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>> Have fun every day.....
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216. Photos

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-18 15:18:58 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 216 Message: 216

I just posted some of my photos of the trip.

Unfortunately Yahoogroups is not set up for video postings, so I cannot post the street scenes pf the drummer, the fellow blowing the shell, the street vendors, and the people dancing.

Hugh, W4VAB

217. Leave it to our attorney.....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-19 20:36:45 UTC
From: budd
Topic: 217 Message: 217

To come up with candid shots and excellent picture captions.

Super, barrister.......thank you Hugh.

Have fun every day !

On Dec 19, 2012, at 6:13, Yahoo Groups Updates <groupsupdates@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Updates in Your Groups
> CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4-CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
> w4vab added 49 photos to the W4VAB's photos folder
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> To learn more about Yahoo!'s use of personal information, including the use of web beacons in HTML-based email, please read our Privacy Policy.
> Visit Your Groups | Yahoo! Groups Terms of Use | Unsubscribe from the Updates Email

218. QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-23 17:16:55 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 218 Message: 218

Ho! Ho! Ho! Happy Holidaze to everyone!

I had some time this morning to play in Photoshop to create our QSL card using one of Rob's photos from his vacation week in St Lucia. Take a look at:

http://sdrv.ms/VXLwLC

Please review the backside of the QSL card and let me know if there are any mistakes.

I will probably order 3,500 cards (about 30% of all qsos) this coming week which means we should have them back in late January. I will then distribute to each of you as I'm sure you are getting QSL card direct requests.

BTW, based on my experience, expect about 30% of your QSOs to request a card from you. More if you don't upload your log to LoTW.

Everyone have an enjoyable Christmas Holiday! 73, Guy

219. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-23 17:40:01 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 218 Message: 219

Splendid !

On Sun, Dec 23, 2012 at 9:16 AM, Guy <n7un.guy@...> wrote:

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Have fun every day.....

220. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-23 21:56:22 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 218 Message: 220

Happy holidays back to everyone. Compliments to Guy and Rob, card looks great, probably about a hundred here so far, can't image what Rob's pile is looking like already. 73 Scott

221. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-23 23:00:54 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 218 Message: 221

I like...

On the back narrative, make it 160-6 Meters.

Merry Christmas everyone.

Everett W6ABM

On Sun, Dec 23, 2012 at 1:56 PM, <ka9p@...> wrote:

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222. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 01:40:52 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 222 Message: 222

Guy,

Awesome job on the cards.

Hope everyone is having a great holiday!

Frans called yesterday. He just to say hi and wanted to know if we all got home safely. I told him we did, and extended to him a big thanks from all of us for his hospitality. During my extended stay, Tot contacted me a couple of times to make sure I was ok. While we didn't get a chance to meet in person during the week, Tot provided great tips on photography locations.

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Jerry, are you missing your K3 manual? If so, please let me know how I get it back to you.

-rob

From: ka9p@aol.com
Sent: ☐December☐ ☐23☐, ☐2012 ☐1☐:☐56☐ ☐PM
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Card Review...

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223. Re: QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 14:20:10 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 222 Message: 223

Congratulations - the QSL card looks great.

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Quite a few stations sent QSO confirmations via eQSL.

Has anyone received "verification" of their J6 status from LoTW? I mailed a copy of the J6 license and a copy of my passport to LoTW as soon as we returned but haven't received anything back so I cannot upload my log to LoTW yet.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND WISHING EVERYONE GOOD DX IN 2013.

Hugh, W4VAB

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224. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 14:45:11 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 218 Message: 224

Hi Hugh,

I was talking to some friends that told me LoTW was running about 10 days behind, so that seems consistent.

Apparently there has been enough annoyance about delay that a feature has been added to let folks know how far behind things are currently, but I haven' looked to try to find it yet.

Merry Christmas/HNY 73 Scott

In a message dated 12/24/2012 8:20:14 A.M. Central Standard Time, hwmorgan@... writes:

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225. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 18:34:48 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 218 Message: 225

I uploaded 90% of my log to LOTW, however, it's unclear to me that they
have them available now.
I scanned the J6 license and sent it that way, it was accepted.

Everett W6ABM

On Mon, Dec 24, 2012 at 6:45 AM, <ka9p@...> wrote:

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> LoTW yet.
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226. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 19:30:13 UTC
From: Weymouth Walker
Topic: 222 Message: 226

Hugh ...

You might try sending a scan or image of the top sheet
to lotw@... ... I suspect they're short staffed this
week ...

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Wey - K8EAB

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227. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 20:36:16 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 222 Message: 227

I used the "Short Form" Sheet and scanned it. It was accepted.

Everett W6ABM

On Mon, Dec 24, 2012 at 11:30 AM, Weymouth Walker <weymouth01@comcast.net>wrote:

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228. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 20:51:34 UTC
From: Hugh W. Morgan
Topic: 222 Message: 228

I scanned, printed and mailed the “Short Form” sheet and haven’t heard from them.

The LoTW instructions say that you must mail the information to them and that the envelope must be postmarked where you are licensed, so I mailed it from my local post office.

I notice that they are running 10 days in arrears in the processing of uploaded logs so they must be short handed.

Hugh, W4VAB

From: arsw6abm [mailto:arsw6abm@...]
Sent: Monday, December 24, 2012 3:36 PM
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
Cc: w4vab
Subject: Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: QSL Card Review...

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229. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Card Review...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-24 23:00:30 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 222 Message: 229

Merry Christmas & Happy Hanukah to All,

When I got back to work, it was a pile up of a different kind. :-) After I cleared the decks of "work", I hit the woods again, hunting. I froze my buns off and decided to return to civilization. The Deer are still running free and safe from the great white hunter. :-)

I have a "pile" of QSL cards from our endeavors on St Lucia. What a GREAT time! Thank you all for the fun and fellowship playing radio in a great location.

Rob, I looked around and cannot find my K3 Manual, not that I ever really use it. :-) At your convenience, you can mail it to me at PO Box 246, Ball Ground, GA 30107.

Very best to all,
Jerry W5TDY

Sent from my Mobile device

On Dec 23, 2012, at 8:40 PM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:

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230. LoTW info

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-25 14:51:57 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 230 Message: 230

Hugh, folks:

Merry Christmas to you and your families! We got 2" of snow overnight for a White Christmas!

For Logbook of the World, you can check your upload status by:

1) Go to http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world then click on "Go Now" to log in to your LoTW account.
2) This gets you to https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default . Log in to your own LoTW account.
3) Once logged in, select "Your Account" from the top menu bar. Then on the left select "Your Activity". This status report will show you when your .tq8 submission file is processed.

As Scott stated, LoTW is currently having "problems" and is scheduled for a hardware disc space upgrade. Consequently file processing is slow...I heard at least 10 days or more delay. I uploaded my file about 6 days ago. It has yet to be processed. I average about 30% of my qsos are confirmed by LoTW which, hopefully, is 30% less QSL card requests that I have to manually process.

73, Guy

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

231. Re: LoTW info

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-25 16:40:06 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 230 Message: 231

My log was finally processed at 1750 UTC Dec 24. I am at 21% QSLs via LOTW.

I'm glad the LOTW system is so popular. It sure needs more capacity, tho.

Merry Christmas to each of you.

Everett W6ABM
J6/W6ABM

232. QSL Card Status...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2012-12-27 00:51:35 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 232 Message: 232

QSL cards ordered with expected shipment in 2-3 weeks from Randy/KB3IFH. Randy did our cards for our last trip and are of great quality.

I will ship out to each of you your 35% allotment. Rob, I'm having Randy ship your 1500 cards directly to you from his shop.

I'm currently working on another project but will get to the final $$ calculations in the next few days.

HNY, Guy

233. Hey Ev..thanks for the print of the SL-4 group. AND...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-04 00:11:09 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 233 Message: 233

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234. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Hey Ev..thanks for the print of the SL-4 group. AN...

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-04 04:03:25 UTC
From: ka9p@aol.com
Topic: 234 Message: 234

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Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-04 05:42:31 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
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From: N7un.guy
Topic: 234 Message: 237

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Date: 2013-01-05 01:04:16 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 233 Message: 238

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Date: 2013-01-05 01:05:33 UTC
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Topic: 233 Message: 239

The pictures came out nice. I have the same one on our family
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Worked Les in Jamaica on 17 from here day-before-yesterday.

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Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-05 07:31:39 UTC
From: cystokid@charter.net
Topic: 241 Message: 241

....ditto what Robert said. What a great experience and again, thank you Ev for the picture!

Bryan

Sent from Windows Mail

From: Robert Fanfant
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From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 234 Message: 242

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Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-05 05:41:10 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 234 Message: 243

Bud,I'll give you a call to fill you in on the details of the Montserrat trip. Sounds like a great place to operate from!! -rob
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
From: w3ffbudd@...
Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2013 20:35:29 -0800
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244. Final J6 Trip Settlement $$$

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-09 00:39:14 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 244 Message: 244

Guys,

Hope all is well with everyone!

Our on-island trip expenses were:

1) Group Groceries, gasoline, and beverages: $950
2) Villa Catered Meals (4 nites): $800
3) Doc shipping costs: $198
4) Limo to/from Airport: $310
5) Dinner at Street Party: $104

The net additional per person is: $350

Overall this works out to be about $140/person/night. Not bad for this type of extravaganza!

I prefer PayPal to hamblen9@... . Send the $$ as a cash transfer so there is no surcharge. I will then settle with Chris and Budd since we used their Visa cards for most of these expenses.

Thanks for the great trip! Winter is here in NJ but I'll be in Barbados for a week the first of Feb. Look for the original Buddies in the Caribbean on the air!

73, Guy/N7UN and now 8P9UN

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Guy/N7UN
http://www.n7un.com

245. QSL Cards mailed....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-15 22:12:37 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 245 Message: 245

Guys,

I received the QSL cards from the printers and forwarded your allocation based on the # of qsos you had. Approx 35% which should last you for a couple of years. I'm still getting cards for QSOs made 3 years ago on the 1st J6 operation.

Also do use LoTW as it will reduce your direct and Bureau requests significantly. I just checked my "hits" on LoTW and currently have 44.3% of my QSOs confirmed for this last Dec operation. That's a lot of cards (700 or so) that I won't have to manually process.

I do have some extra cards in case you need more.

73, Guy/8P9UN

246. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Cards mailed....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-16 23:47:26 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 245 Message: 246

Thanks,Guy. I'll be watching for them.

Everett W6ABM

On Tue, Jan 15, 2013 at 2:12 PM, Guy <n7un.guy@...> wrote:

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247. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL Cards mailed....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-17 04:19:24 UTC
From: ka9p@...
Topic: 245 Message: 247

I'll second that, the JA response is absolutely nutty :) Thanks Guy.

In a message dated 1/16/2013 6:28:06 P.M. Central Standard Time,
arsw6abm@... writes:

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248. Re: LoTW info

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-17 20:50:21 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 230 Message: 248

LOTW has QSL confirmations at 34% as of January 15th for me.

Everett

--- In CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@..., arsw6abm wrote:
>
> My log was finally processed at 1750 UTC Dec 24. I am at 21% QSLs via LOTW.
>
> I'm glad the LOTW system is so popular. It sure needs more capacity, tho.
>
> Merry Christmas to each of you.
>
> Everett W6ABM
> J6/W6ABM
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249. QSL cards

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-21 01:36:59 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 249 Message: 249

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Bryan WB8ISG

250. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL cards

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-21 03:47:12 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 249 Message: 250

Thanks Bryan. Like you, I worked my QSL pile down to a few remaining. My hope is to be completely caught up tomorrow end of day. Hope all is well with you all! To me it seems like only yesterday we were all crammed in the bus heading down the road to Chateau Devaux in Mr. Big's mini-van. I'll be heading to Dayton Hamfest in May and look forward to hooking up with a few of you all then. Jerry, did you receive your K3 manual? -robN7QTTo: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
From: cystokid@...
Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2013 01:36:59 +0000
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251. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] QSL cards

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-22 01:21:24 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 249 Message: 251

Rob,

Yes, I received the manual, and THANK you!

I too am surprised how fast the time has passed since our adventure in the Caribbean! I have been extremely busy since our trip. I am currently working a Food Show in Nashville, TN. :-)

Also, THANK YOU Ev for the very nice picture of the Group. It is hanging above my desk on the bulletin board.

I am looking forward to Dayton, so I can get caught up with you guys.

Very best to all,
Jerry
W5TDY

On Jan 20, 2013, at 10:47 PM, Robert Fanfant <rfanfant@...> wrote:

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252. Dayton Hamvention

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-22 01:33:05 UTC
From: Bryan
Topic: 252 Message: 252

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253. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Dayton Hamvention

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-22 01:40:08 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 252 Message: 253

I'll be at the Red Roof Inn Dayton - Fairborn/Nutter Center2580 Colonel Glenn Hwy Fairborn, OH 45324 Arriving early Thursday afternoon through Sunday afternoon. -rob N7QT425-681-7784
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254. Re: Dayton Hamvention

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-22 01:55:51 UTC
From: Guy
Topic: 252 Message: 254

Hey Guys! 24f right now....way, way to cold!

Buddipole hosts a Friday night Pizza get-together. Last year it was at a great little micro-brew tavern not far from O'Hara Arena. Great pizza and good beer with plenty of outside seating (or inside if its raining). We invite all previous BiC trip folks as well as the BUG moderators so you'll get to meet some of the previous trip folks....all great guys!

So keep Friday night open. I'll make sure to confirm location, etc. so you all know.

Look for Budd and myself in 8P6-land in another week...yeah, I know, rough life....

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255. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Dayton Hamvention

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-22 06:10:43 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 252 Message: 255

Hey Bryan. Budd here. On Maui as I write this. Barbados in a bit over a week.

I am, sadly, a total captive at the booth alll three days during the day.
We will have a gathering
but am not sure which night, Friday or Saturday. The crew at the booth are truly exhausted at the end of the day.

My cel phone number is 541 991-7157

I have some Buddistick parts I owe you since we sacrificed many of your parts on SL-4.
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256. Re: Dayton Hamvention

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-22 19:15:23 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 252 Message: 256

I'm not planning on going to Dayton but am going to the Orlando Hamcation in February.

Hugh W4VAB

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257. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Dayton Hamvention

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-22 23:51:16 UTC
From: scott
Topic: 252 Message: 257

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258. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Dayton Hamvention

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-01-23 00:05:33 UTC
From: Bryan Shumaker
Topic: 252 Message: 258

....yeah! It’s a balmy +2 F right now, and supposed to drop to –7 tonight. With the wind chill right now, it’s about –11! And it just keeps snowing, on and off, day after day...

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From: scott
Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2013 6:51 PM
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk
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259. Re: j6 portable!!

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-02-22 03:01:25 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 259 Message: 259

WOW.

Some of my favorite hams in the world are going to activate J6, their homeland, on the 34th anniversary of their independence.

I will be here at my home station, and I tuned up the trike to see if we can do a Buddipole to Buddipole QSO.

I can't wait.

Frans, please have any station you work post you on the DX Cluster. Will make a big effort to get
you and Ernest and Francis.

We will be watching for you.

Budd in Northern CA

On Thu, Feb 21, 2013 at 3:20 PM, Frans van Santbrink <fransjr@...>wrote:

> Hi all,****
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> Tomorrow morning (2013 02 22) we will be heading to the remote beach on
> the south – east coast, we will be there for two days (overnighting). The
> beach is Honeymoon beach and the area just above it is Pointe Des Caie
> (means point of two houses in creole)****
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> We will be just above the southernmost end of the beach on the plain by
> the ruins of one of the houses.****
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> Present will be J69AZ and J69DS maybe we will have j66ca also.****
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> We will be on 10 15 20 and 40 meters SSB. We will be using a Buddipole
> Deluxe, a buddiStick, a 20 meter homemade dipole and a homebrew mix
> buddistick on 10. Radios are Icom 7096mkII and an Alinco DX70****
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> Hope to hear you all. I will post on the dx cluster when we are on air.***
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> BTW it is our 34th year of independence tomorrow hence the day off.****
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> God Bless,****
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>
> Frans van Santbrink****
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> Mobile: (758) 715-3129****
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> MJ: (347) 298 0748****
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> Tech support sytem @ http://tech.dageekz.com/****
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> Radio: 145.700 (-0.6) Mhz****
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Have fun every day.....

260. J6 QSLs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-03-15 18:57:39 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 260 Message: 260

I received another QSL request from a stateside ham yesterday. His reply is in today's mail. His comment, "thanks for a country on 12 I thought I'd never be able to get" reminds me again how important our ops are.

Hope you are all well. I am recovering from surgery (2 disc replacements) on March 6. Working now to get rid of the pain meds (oxy) that scramble my brain!

See you on the air.

Everett W6ABM

261. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6 QSLs

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-03-15 23:57:00 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 260 Message: 261

Hey Ev. Yes, I read late last night on Facebook about your surgery.
Glad it's working for you. I seldom log on to Facebook and seldom post.

Yes, the cards mean a lot to many people. I return them but don't
initiate them. Have worked North Korea and didn't ask for a card, hi.

All is great here.

Budd

On Fri, Mar 15, 2013 at 11:57 AM, evcurry <arsw6abm@gmail.com> wrote:

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> I received another QSL request from a stateside ham yesterday. His reply
> is in today's mail. His comment, "thanks for a country on 12 I thought I'd
> never be able to get" reminds me again how important our ops are.
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> Hope you are all well. I am recovering from surgery (2 disc replacements)
> on March 6. Working now to get rid of the pain meds (oxy) that scramble my
> brain!
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> See you on the air.
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> Everett W6ABM
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Have fun every day.....

262. J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-05 16:42:53 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 262 Message: 262

ST. LUCIA, J6. Rob, N7QT is QRV as J6/N7QT and Frans, J69DS is also QRV from Babonneau until April 16. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and either RTTY or PSK. They will also be singing /P from various locations on the island. QSL J6/N7QT to home call and J69DS direct.

263. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-05 21:17:30 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 262 Message: 263

Thanks for the intro Everett. I'm currently in the air cruising at 30K feet heading towards Saint Lucia. Plane suffered a mechanical failure and we had to return back to the gate. So far the wings are barely holding on and hope to land in another hour. ☐We'll be on the air later this afternoon. Can't wait to work as many of you as possible!! I've added PSK31 to my bag of tricks, as well as purchasing my FIRST ever microphone for some SSB action! Hard to believe what difference 3 months makes in this hobby!!! Did I also mention that most of you won't recognize me? In January, I took up swimming 5 days a week and have lost 37 pounds in the process! Hopefully will be able to compete with Budd, the babe magnet. ☐

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: evcurry<mailto:arsw6abm@...>
Sent: ☐4/☐5/☐2013 12:42 PM
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...<mailto:CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@yahoogroups.co.uk>
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

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264. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-06 02:25:44 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 262 Message: 264

I need J6 in my W6ABM log...and I'll be watching for you! Tell Franz hello.

Everett W6ABM

265. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-06 02:28:10 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 262 Message: 265

I'm on 30m now PSK31
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
From: arsw6abm@...
Date: Fri, 5 Apr 2013 19:25:44 -0700
Subject: RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

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266. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-06 15:53:09 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 262 Message: 266

Guys, I am nursing a bad case of the flu. Will put a J6 tag on my iCluster and will hobble to the shack when I see Rob and Franz show up. Thanks for the heads up.

Budd

On Friday, April 5, 2013, arsw6abm wrote:

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267. Re: J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-11 01:02:00 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 262 Message: 267

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Hugh W4VAB

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268. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-11 04:02:41 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 262 Message: 268

Hugh/All,It's been fun working many of you. As you've pointed out Hugh, I've worked you several times, I've also worked Guy on numerous bands and a bunch of my buddies in the NorthWest.
The surprise of the day that about floored me happened while in the midst of a big CW pileup, in comes an extremely loud/strong J6 call. I was sure I made a mistake in the copy since I'm sure I'm the only one on the island using CW as a mode...after a second time around the call again comes in as J68DS (my buddy Frans whom I staying with). Only problem is that Frans doesn't do CW!! Long story short, Frans sets up his computer to interpret my CW which was machine generated, and then uses his computer to have it generate a response into his HF rig. In any case, he chased me across the bands using the DX spots to locate me, and worked me on several bands on CW. We realized that I worked my first Saint Lucia CW station on multiple bands! Was quite interesting.
Tomorrow we are heading over to Pigeon Island for the day. Plan to set up 3 stations (Frans/myself/Ernest) on the beach and work the bands. Ernest works the world on SSB QRP, I'll be running 11W CW and Frans will be running the digital modes. These guys know how to live in that we will bring the bbq , a case of Piton, and eat grilled chicken, salad and mashed potatoes for lunch.
Today I spent a good part of the day at Tot's house. For those of us who have never been, it was/is an amazing location. About 500 feet above sea level and very close to a 360 degree view of the island. I plan to spend the night with Tot this coming Friday in order to try to work 160m in the early morning using his 180m dipole. I'm up to 3500 QSO's so far and about half way through my trip. So I might do a bit better this time around, though swimming and spending time with the family take up a big part of the day.
Well I hope all of you are well. Just enjoying the weather, the almost daily swims in the ocean, friends, as well as a healthy dose of radio..as Frans often says, "the thought of amateur radio rehab, is just out of the question!!"
-rob

To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
From: hwmorgan@...
Date: Thu, 11 Apr 2013 01:02:00 +0000
Subject: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Re: J6/N7QT and J69DS QRV from Babonneau NOW

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269. Rob on fireq

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-04-11 04:15:50 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 269 Message: 269

I've had the flu since day one of the Rob assault on J6. Got him on the first or second day on 12Meters and said HI several times. Got a 599TU !

Good show. Iron butts rule.

Hey Frans....take care of this world class op. And a big hi to Ernest. Rob, glad you started this journey with us originally. We have great contacts, eh?

Budd

On Wednesday, April 10, 2013, Robert Fanfant wrote:

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270. J69DS and J69MV in the W6ABM Log

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-28 14:14:00 UTC
From: evcurry
Topic: 270 Message: 270

I took three days and went to Oakdale, near Dallas, Oregon, to see how many countries I could add to my count...I'm serious about getting that DXCC. In the process, 81 contacts and 28 new countries worked (now to get them confirmed). I got my first J6 contacts, with Frans J69DS and Tot J69MV. Cards are in the mail today. I was able to do this with the gracious hospitality of Mike K7CIE (who I worked from St. Lucia).

I am at Seaside Oregon for the week...SEA-PAC, the Northwestern Division ARRL Convention is this coming weekend. I'll have a station on-the-air sometime tomorrow. Budd is doing a workshop at SEA-PAC on portable operation. I am doing one on the Buddies of the Caribbean.

Thank you for the best wishes on my cervical surgery. It all went well and the weight limitations are removed, tho the doc says "no wood cutting." No problem! (;-)

Everett W6ABM

271. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] J69DS and J69MV in the W6ABM Log

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-28 14:43:46 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 270 Message: 271

Good Tuesday morning Ev. Thanks for the note.

Were you operating at Mike's station with his Spiderbeam? Band condx have not been good for several days. High K's. so you did a great job picking up all those new entities.

Frans has really been active. Will be nice to see him and Tot in SL when Chris and I return for SL5 in December.

I will try to make it to your presentation at SeaPac. Depends on the booth pressure. You have fun doing that.

In a separate email today, I will ask our SL-4 guys for comments on the trip last December.
It is a six month followup.

Budd

Have fun every day

On Tuesday, May 28, 2013, evcurry wrote:

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272. Re: J69DS and J69MV in the W6ABM Log

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-29 21:54:14 UTC
From: w4vab
Topic: 270 Message: 272

Everett,

It was nice to see your post and I'm very glad your surgery went well. Congratulations on the DX. I've set a goal of working one new country each week. Sometimes I don't catch one then I'll catch several the next week.

Right now Heather and I are on a home exchange in VE7 land. We're in a floating home in a floating community on the Frazier River. You can go to www.aprs.fi and enter my call in the track station box and find the exact location.

I brought my KX3 and Buddipole with me but the KX3 developed a problem so it is back at the factory for repair. Before it quit I had a nice contact with a station in Kiev, Ukraine and received a 579 report. Not at all bad for 10 watts. I also make a few contacts in the states and one in Mexico.

Best 73 to all,

Hugh, W4VAB

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273. Re: J69DS and J69MV in the W6ABM Log

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-29 22:06:59 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 270 Message: 273

Hugh

You are straight north of me. We are at Seaside, OR for the ARRL NW Division Convention
opening on Friday. We are right on the Pacific.

Everett W6ABM

274. Guys, I need your input on SL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-30 00:00:02 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 274 Message: 274

Guy and I learn a lot by asking ops who have gone to St Lucia's Chateau Devaux to give us suggestions about what we can do to improve the experience.

We plan to keep up the interaction with local hams. Frans and Tot and families are jewels. Frans is very active on the air. Ev chatted with Frans and Tot just recently. Rob has visited both of them, and has operated from their homes as I understand it.

How about the villa itself? Is there anything Richard and Maran could do to improve the quality of our stays there? Was the Internet / wireless service adequate? Was housekeeping OK?

Did you have adequate time to experience pileups? Were there times when you didn't have a good choice of bands? Would you have liked to have tried the Lower Bands more?

How about the catered food? At $20 a meal per person, was that a fair price?

Should we have had more portable excursions?

Should we have the guys set up their own antennas at the villa FT the experience of doing it?

Finally, did the BIC SL-4 trip meet your expectations?

Budd

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275. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guys, I need your input on SL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-30 15:50:29 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 274 Message: 275

Budd & Crew,

I had a GREAT experience on St. Lucia.

It gave me an opportunity to truly experience the sound "Wall" of a "Pile-up". Field Day, occasional contesting from Home is nothing like what you experience as a "Mini-DXpedition" station being sought by other DX stations. If provides you with the opportunity to learn new tactics and techniques to "manage" the "traffic" effectively and efficiently.

The Villa, catered meals, the night out on the town were GREAT experiences as well. It was a great Fellowship opportunity. I enjoyed the experience of a rendezvous with fellow Amateur radio operators meeting to "Play" radio in a unique location. Prior to our rendezvous in St. Lucia most of us had never met before. The only thing we had in common was Amateur radio and the Buddipole antenna system.

Relative to antenna setups, watching and helping with the "setup" is very beneficial. I would not want to turn it loose on Mavericks to setup where ever and how they see fit, or are accustomed to back "home". In the close RF environment, previous experience and knowledge (Guy) is key to everyone operating with the least amount of interference. Pass band filters are a must. Having said that, experimenting with the system should be encouraged as long as interference is managed. Creating beams from the components is yet another learning experience to be capitalized upon, drawing from experienced users.

If there was any one thing you may want to experiment with it, may be an operating "schedule". I know that it is very laid back, no pressure operating environment. However, based on the time of day and potential band openings, a "schedule" of operating times for the "operators" to sign up (commit) to may be helpful. That way you do not have a band hog setting on top of the band all the time. It would help set expectations and possibly prevent misunderstandings. I had no problems at all with getting the time or bands I wanted, probably because I was easily distracted with a Piton if a slot was not available. :-) However, if you have an operator that just wants to work one band at the same time every day, it would be a nice way to encourage them to share it.

I very much enjoyed the portable op with Guy. Getting away from the Villa and setting up a Buddipole at a remote location on the island is an experience you should not pass up.

Also, meeting with the local area Hams was a GREAT experience! I have since traded emails with several of them.

The trip more than exceeded my expectations! I made new friends, from whom I learned new tricks of the Hobby. It also provided me with a unique opportunity to decompress, which I truly needed at this stage in my Life.

Thank you for the opportunity to experience a Mini-DXpedition as well as the camaraderie of a fine group of Men!

Sincerely,
Jerry
J6/W5TDY

On May 29, 2013, at 8:00 PM, Budd Drummond <w3ffbudd@gmail.com> wrote:

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276. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guys, I need your input on SL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-31 02:41:09 UTC
From: ka9p@...
Topic: 274 Message: 276

I'll echo pretty much everything Jerry said.

Great experience, great guys, could not have been easier, going somewhere new and having to do absolutely nothing but listen to the Guy(s) that already knew the drill really made for a low stress trip when it was needed.

I'll second the filter comment - I think 12 meters caught us a bit by surprise, and there was a lot of 12 meter traffic - so just being sure all the bands are covered would be good.

Reminding new folks that this is more like Field Day couldn't hurt. I was reading a posting a couple days ago about how DXpeditions need contest operators more than DXer's because of their familiarity with the operating situations - high RF environments, tight quarters, adaptability and all of that. While we were in the lap of luxury rather than a DXpedition under hostile conditions, a reminder to do some homework on your gear and operations in high RF, sometimes high noise environments would probably be good for the primer, if not already in it - short cables, good headphones, dealing with wind, bypassing where it's needed kind of stuff.

I think Guy and Budd pretty much had the antenna situations worked out. Given the RF situation and relative space constraints for antennas I learned more from watching the stuff go up and the improvisation as things went along than I might have if everyone did their own thing - there's a pretty strong communal aspect to this sort of operation that needs to leverage what's already know for everyone's benefit.

Op schedules probably depends on the folks on the trip, but an early check-in on folks expectations might be worth it. Personally mine were more than met, operating and otherwise - it almost wasn't hard enough :)

The local interaction was priceless and made me reflect on what we take for granted back home with 800 numbers, overnight delivery, unused repeaters and inexpensive gear.

Price was really reasonable for everything.

Sorry to miss most of you at Dayton, I was in for a few hours Friday morning, ran into Jerry, went to see Budd but Chris had him selling so hard I couldn't get near him.

Enjoy the next one and thanks so much for a really unique ham radio experience.

Scott

In a message dated 5/29/2013 7:00:05 P.M. Central Daylight Time, w3ffbudd@... writes:

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277. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Guys, I need your input on SL-4

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-05-31 04:30:04 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 274 Message: 277

Here is what I sent to Budd direct...

Budd

We plan to keep up the interaction with local hams. Frans and Tot and families are jewels. Frans is very active on the air. Ev chatted with Frans and Tot just recently. Rob has visited both of them, and has operated from their homes as I understand it.
The experiences with local hams were a highlight for my trip. I like interactions, especially those that continue after the event itself is complete.

How about the villa itself? Is there anything Richard and Maran could do to improve the quality of our stays there? Was the Internet / wireless service adequate? Was housekeeping OK?

The Chateau is excellent and lends itself well to our operation. The level of comfort is on target. Housekeeping and Wifi worked fine for me. I used Facetime to talk with Barbara each evening using the WiFi link. The air conditioned bedrooms provide a nice respite when humidity is up. Having many places to set up a station makes for convenient multi-station operation.

Did you have adequate time to experience pileups? Were there times when you didn't have a good choice of bands? Would you have liked to have tried the Lower Bands more?

The four operating highlights for me were: the 12-meter run on the Saturday of the Ten Meter Contest. 10m was not productive. The 10 meter contest was one of the reasons I went to St. Lucia. I went to the gazebo and worked 12m for a great experience (pileup). I wanted to work 6m and to be the first Buddies member to make contacts off the island. I did that with contacts into Venezeula, Brazil, and Chile. I'd like to do more with 6 out of St. Lucia. My PSK-31 operation on 20m gave J6 to a number of folks who wanted it badly. A planned 40m sched with Oregon stations turned into a 4-hour run that I really enjoyed.

How about the catered food? At $20 a meal per person, was that a fair price?
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The food was good...price is fair.

Should we have had more portable excursions?

Our trips were fine. I didn't take advantage of the mountain or beach trips, but loved the Wednesday and Friday night events.

Should we have the guys set up their own antennas at the villa FT the experience of doing it?

I* had a lot of help using and modifying antennae. It works fine that way.*

Finally, did the BIC SL-4 trip meet your expectations?

In every way. I easily recommend doing it. I'd love to do it again when funds permit. I am doing a 50-minute workshop on the Buddies of the Caribbean St. Lucia experience this coming weekend at SEA-PAC, the ARRL Northwestern Division Convention.
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Everett W6ABM

278. SL Club article

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2013-06-12 11:07:04 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 278 Message: 278
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279. Hugh/W4VAB a SK....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2016-08-12 23:56:24 UTC
From: n7un.guy@...
Topic: 279 Message: 279

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Guy/n7un

280. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Hugh/W4VAB a SK....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2016-08-13 00:30:33 UTC
From: Budd Drummond
Topic: 279 Message: 280

Thank you, Guy.

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Hugh emailed me from one of the Channel Islands just a few months back. He said he was having a great time even with marginal band conditions.

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Anyone else from SL-4 still monitoring here?

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281. RE: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Hugh/W4VAB a SK....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2016-08-13 01:03:50 UTC
From: Robert Fanfant
Topic: 279 Message: 281

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Warm regards,
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From: "Budd Drummond w3ffbudd@... [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4]" <CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...>
Date: 8/12/16 5:30 PM (GMT-08:00)
To: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@...
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282. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Hugh/W4VAB a SK....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2016-08-13 01:19:04 UTC
From: ka9p@...
Topic: 279 Message: 282

Guy, thanks for mentioning this. Hugh did some pretty remarkable things in his life, I'll take a look for his obit, I'm sure it will disclose even more. It's great that you guys were able to keep up with him..

73 Scott

In a message dated 8/12/2016 8:03:57 P.M. Central Daylight Time, CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4@... writes:

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283. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Hugh/W4VAB a SK....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2016-08-13 13:13:10 UTC
From: Jerry Long
Topic: 279 Message: 283

I am so sorry to hear about Hugh. I had a great time with him on St. Lucia.

May God provide the strength, comfort, and peace his family needs during this time of their loss.

Respectfully,
Jerry W5TDY

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284. Re: [CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4] Hugh/W4VAB a SK....

Yahoo group: CaribbeanBuddiesSL-4
Date: 2016-08-14 00:39:12 UTC
From: arsw6abm
Topic: 279 Message: 284

Yes, I'm here. I knew about his passing from his daughter.

Hugh lived well.

Everett W6ABM

On Sat, Aug 13, 2016 at 6:13 AM, Jerry Long jlongtexas@comcast.net
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*Think about this:"...a truism that is too often forgotten: Ham radio is a hobby. That means it is supposed to be fun, or at least rewarding in ways we consider worthwhile. When what you are doing in ham radio no longer meets that test, you should be trying to figure out why, and then make changes until it is fun again." --
Bob Locher W9KNI*